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## Courageous Channel practices evacuation ops

By Pfc. Park Myung Joon

19th Theater Support Command

**CAMP GEORGE** — When the balloon goes up and the bullets are flying, the last thing a Soldier should have to worry about is the well-being of his family. Luckily, U.S. Forces Korea has a plan to ensure the safety of noncombatants in the event of an emergency.

**Noncombatant Evacuation Operations** — the system for getting noncombatants out of the Republic of Korea in the case of an emergency — is practiced twice each year during the Courageous Channel exercise. Courageous Channel is designed to rehearse NEO assembly and evacuation control center procedures for processing more than 10,000 Defense Department noncombatants.

“(Noncombatant Evacuation Operations) is the process to evacuate noncombatants off the peninsula in the event of imminent or possible military hostilities, natural or man-made disasters, political or other crises that put noncombatants in a danger,” said Sgt. 1st Class Sedrick Buxton, 19th Theater Support Command NEO coordinator.

The most recent NEO exercise took place across the peninsula April 28-May 5.

During Courageous Channel 05, family members and non-emergency essential civilians practiced the steps necessary to get them off the peninsula safely. Using airplanes and ferries, volunteer noncombatants were moved from Korea to a safer location — in this case Japan.

Exercise participants also went to their local Evacuation Control Centers, located on installations across Korea, with their NEO packets. NEO packets include a number of important documents, such as identification card, a passport, and a personal property inventory.

“NEO operations are conducted and rehearsed everywhere the U.S.

military has a presence. In Korea, the 19th TSC conducts and supports this mission,” said Buxton.

“This rehearsal makes me feel like if something happens here, my family can be evacuated quickly. I think it’s really good to do this twice every year so that people get used to it,” said Nada Johnson, the spouse of a contractor working for the 1st Signal Brigade.

“I’ve been doing this operation in Korea from my days in 2nd Infantry Division. For me, as an active Army officer, NEO operations make me feel that the Army will take care of my family even in a wartime atmosphere,” said Chaplain (Capt.) Steve Shin, 728th Military Police Battalion.

For newcomers to the NEO process, the exercise can be time consuming and difficult. But veterans of the process said the experience gets better as they learned the ins and outs of evacuation operations.

“It’s getting easier and easier every

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SFC. SADIE BLEISTEIN

Security Police at Kunsan Air Base use working dogs to search evacuee's luggage during Courageous Channel 05, April 29.

## Art of War



ROGER EDWARDS

One of 39 “Paintball Warriors” takes cover behind a freshly “painted” barrier and aims at an opponent during the May 7 inaugural paintball tournament on the new Area III paintball field. For related story, see Page 22.

## ‘Good Neighbors’ recognized for strengthening ROK/U.S. alliance

By Sgt. Christopher Selmek

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN** — The 3rd Annual Good Neighbor Award Dinner was held May 4 at Dragon Hill Lodge, South Post, to recognize key supporters of the U.S. Forces Korea and to publicly thank them for their efforts in strengthening cultural awareness and understanding.

The Korean-American Association and nine Korean citizens were recognized during this event for contributing to the overall strength between the Republic of Korea/U.S. relations.

Under the auspices of the Good Neighbor Program, together, Korean and U.S. organizations actively engage the local communities, government, media, businesses, educators, students and military to provide public

understanding and awareness of the USFK mission on the Korean peninsula.

“None of our programs would be successful without the interest and active participation of our Korean hosts,” said Gen. Leon LaPorte, USFK commander. “We are grateful of their support in various events like receptions, ceremonies, festivals and cultural enrichment activities; hence, helping our servicemembers learn and enjoy their tour here in Korea.”

LaPorte continued, “We are fortunate to have an alliance that has been successful for more than 50 years. What a wonderful testament to our partnership. Through our combined efforts we will continue to be good

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## MP Blotter

The following entries were excerpted from the past several weeks military police blotters. These entries may be incomplete and do not determine the guilt or innocence of any person.

■ Investigation disclosed that a Soldier was observed over closed circuit television placing four music CDs in his backpack and exiting an on-post store without rendering proper payment for items in his possession. The Soldier was detained by security until arrival of the military police. He was then transported to the military police station, where he was advised of his legal rights, which he waived rendering a written sworn statement attesting to the incident. He was further processed and released to his unit. All property was returned to the store.

■ Military police were notified of a larceny of Army and Air Force Exchange Service property. Investigation revealed that a Soldier was observed via closed circuit television placing one DVD inside his beret and then placing it inside of his backpack. He then exited the store without rendering proper payment for items in his possession. The Soldier was detained by store security until the arrival of the military police. The Soldier was transported to the MP station where he was advised of his legal rights, which he invoked, requesting a lawyer. The Soldier was released to his unit. All merchandise was returned.

■ Investigation disclosed that two Soldiers were involved in a verbal altercation at an off-post club which turned physical when the first Soldier punched the other Soldier in the right side of his face with a closed fist. The second Soldier placed the first Soldier in a headlock and punched him in the head with a closed fist. The Soldiers were then apprehended and transported to the military police station where they were administered a series of field sobriety tests, which they failed. They were then administered a command-directed blood alcohol test, with results pending. The second Soldier was treated for his injuries and released to his unit. The first Soldier was advised of his legal rights, which he invoked requesting not to be questioned. This is an alcohol-related incident. Investigation continues by MPI.

# VE Day honors WWII service

By Gary Sheftick and Eric Cramer  
Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** – Former Pfc. Talley Kelley is among an estimated 4,000 veterans of World War II who visited Washington, D.C., for the 60th anniversary of VE Day — victory in Europe.

The veterans joined countless others on the National Mall Sunday for a DoD commemoration hosted by Secretary of the Army Francis J. Harvey. The ceremony also featured retired Army Gen. Frederick J. Kroesen, former commander in chief of U.S. Army Europe; and former Senator Bob Dole, a World War II platoon leader with the 10th Mountain Division.

For Kelley, a Battle of the Bulge veteran with the 87th Infantry

Division, VE Day has special meaning. It's his 80th birthday.

"The war ended on my birthday when I was in a shell hole in Czechoslovakia," Kelley said.

Kelley pointed out that only 11 members of his machine-gun company are still alive.

In fact, an average of more than 1,000 World War II veterans pass away each day, according to Department of Veterans Affairs estimates. And the median age of those veterans is 82 years.

While VE Day may not have been the last chance to draw out those war

stories from "the greatest generation," this opportunity to honor the feats they accomplished should certainly not be overlooked.

**"About 16.5 million Americans served in uniform during World War II ... About 407,000 service men and women died during World War II."**

About 16.5 million Americans served in uniform during World War II. In the District of Columbia and a couple of other states, more than 40 percent of males 15-years-old or older were in uniform.

"These veterans put their lives on hold at a time when their nation needed them," stated a release from the World War II 60th Anniversary Commemoration Committee, "just as today's Soldiers, sailors, airmen, Marines and Coast Guardsmen are doing in the Global War on Terrorism."

During World War II, even those not in uniform were serving the war effort in various capacities on the home front, producing military equipment, diligently observing national rationing and scraping to salvage precious metals for the war effort. An impressive record of service.

Half of American males over age 75 today are World War II veterans, according to the Department of Veteran's Affairs.

"We keep in touch," Kelley said about the veterans of his Company D. "I don't think people realize now just how young we were back then."

Kelley turned 20 in May 1945.

May 7, 1945, Germany surrendered. May 8 was declared V-E Day.

About 407,000 American service men and women died during World War II.

Each year, VE Day serves not only as an opportunity to remember their sacrifices, but a chance to engage the veterans of that generation and honor their record of service.

(Editor's note: Capt. Melissa Tune of the World War II 60th Anniversary Commemoration Committee contributed to this article.)



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## NEWS &amp; NOTES

**AFN-K Survey**

American Forces Korea-Network is conducting an online survey now through May 15. The survey, designed to provide viewers and listeners the best in programming, is available to all authorized Status of Forces personnel — including DOD civilians, contractors and their families throughout South Korea. The survey, which contains 58 questions, serves as a primary instrument used to help AFN-K better gauge the interests of their varied listening and viewing audience.” The survey can be accessed online at [www.afnkorea.net](http://www.afnkorea.net), and on average takes less than 15 minutes to complete. Results of the AFN-K survey are expected to be available by late summer, with programming changes anticipated by early fall.

**Seoul Schools Re-registration**

Re-registration for all currently registered students returning to school and all new kindergarten students will be May 17-20. Registration for students kindergarten through grade 12 will be at Hannam Chapel Annex May 17. Students with last name beginning with A-L may register from 8 a.m. until noon. Students with names starting with M-Z register noon to 3 p.m. Re-registration and registration will be at the Seoul America High School gymnasium May 18-20. May 18, students with names beginning with A-F may come from 8 a.m. to noon; G-L, noon -3 p.m. May 19 students with names beginning with M-R may register 8 a.m. to noon; S-Z, noon -3 p.m. May 20 registration is open to all students who have not yet registered.

**Changes in Ration Control Registration**

The USFK will require that all family members, including children under 10 years of age, be registered in the Defense Biometric Identification System. Registering all family members will allow USFK to make a better estimate of the Department of Defense affiliated noncombatant population for NEO. This registration initiative will also provide the USFK ration control system with accurate family size information to more accurately determine if commissary spending limits are being exceeded.

DBIDS registration will also constitute registration for ration control for new personnel. New arrivals will no longer be required to submit a USFK Form 42 (Ration Control Card Application) to request a ration control card. However, they will still have to visit an area issuing agent office to request Ration Cards be cut and to pick up their cards.

# Fly-away highlights Courageous Channel

**By Spc. Sadie Bleistein**

8th U.S. Army Public Affairs

**YONGSAN --** U. S. Forces Korea conducted a Courageous Channel exercise April 28 through May 5.

Courageous Channel is a NEO readiness exercise that is conducted twice a year at locations throughout the peninsula. It is designed to rehearse NEO assembly and evacuation control center procedures for processing more than 10,000 Department of Defense noncombatants in an orderly, but timely manner from the Republic of Korea.

As part of the four-day exercise, USFK asked for Courageous Channel volunteers from throughout the peninsula to help with the exercise by participating in a fly-away to Japan and back. To sweeten the deal, volunteers would be provided shopping opportunities while in Japan. When the time came for the plane to lift off, 46 randomly selected individuals, representing all areas, were onboard.

Volunteers had to be inprocessed Thursday, April 28. Inprocessing involved reviewing their NEO packets to verify the volunteers' readiness, a briefing and a short film. Volunteers then received a bar coded ID bracelet for accountability.

“In processing went so smooth,” said Cathy Griffin, civilian volunteer. “We were informed on what the next procedure would be every step of the way.”

On the departure day, Friday, volunteers from all areas of the peninsula arrived at Kunsan Air Base via helicopter, military vehicle, bus and train. Prior to their departure from home stations, the coded bracelets were scanned to maintain accountability.

After their arrival, a search of their bags and person was performed. Following the search, IDs and passports received validation. After everyone was checked in, they went into a secure



PHOTOS BY SPC. SADIE BLEISTEIN

*Courageous Channel 05 volunteers disembark the Air Force aircraft that brought them back to Korea from the U.S. Naval Air Facility, Atsugi, Japan, May 1.*

room and had a boxed lunch before beginning the immigration process.

“Everything went great, it was orderly and well planned,” said Lori Imlay, an Air Force dependent who was accompanied by her two daughters Allison and Genelle. “The NEO folks really had their act together.”

Volunteers and escorts again had their bracelets scanned before being transported to an Air Force aircraft on Kunsan. A safety briefing was given in case of an emergency or problem on the aircraft prior to personnel boarding.

“It was great to ride in an actual military aircraft,” said Emily Hall, an Army dependent who was accompanied by her 4-year-old daughter Ana. “They showed us the refueling room and we got to lay down in it and see the air and the ocean.”

“My favorite part of the whole trip was looking out the airplane windows,” added Ana.

After about a two-hour flight, the plane landed in the U.S. Naval Air Facility in Atsugi, Japan, and bracelets were again scanned for accountability.

The volunteers expected sleeping accommodations to be on cots in the installation's fitness facility, but were informed on arrival that they each had a room -- complete with kitchenette and cable TV -- waiting for them at the Combined Bachelor Housing.

“The best part of this trip was finding

out we didn't actually have to stay in a gym,” said Army spouse Trudy Heard.

The dining facility provided the volunteers' meals free of charge and the next day, they had two travel choices for shopping and tourism. One to Asakusa and Yokohama and the other to the famous China Pete's gift shop.

The following morning, volunteers gathered in front of the fitness facility at 8:15 a.m. to be bussed to the airfield. At the airfield, volunteers had another boxed lunch, another safety briefing, their bracelets scanned for accountability and loaded onto the aircraft for the return trip to Kunsan AB.

The final pit stop for the volunteers was going through the immigration process back at Kunsan AB. Volunteers had their bags searched and their passports stamped back into Korea.

Even though volunteers said they enjoyed the free trip to Japan, they never lost sight of the real mission and why they were there.

“This was a great experience,” said Hall. “I became more familiar with the information I got through the orientation.”

“The fly-away went real well, as planned, 100 percent,” added Sun Park, director of the Kunsan Family Support Center. “I am glad everything turned out as planned ... and everyone on the fly-away seemed to enjoy the exercise while completing it.”



*Above: Four-year-old Ana Hall, Area II dependent, reaches for her train ticket at the Iksan Train Station, before boarding the returning train to Seoul, May 1. Ana and her mother Emily volunteered to travel to Japan as part of the Courageous Channel exercise.*

*Right: Children participating in the exercise splashed in a fountain outside of Iksan Train Station, before departing for Seoul, May 1.*



# Army announces Combat Action Badge

## Army News Service

WASHINGTON — A Combat Action Badge will soon be available to all Soldiers who engage the enemy in battle.

Although the Close Combat Badge was once considered an option, Army leadership created the CAB instead to recognize all Soldiers who are in combat. They said the decision was based on input from leaders and Soldiers in the field.

“Warfare is still a human endeavor,” said Gen. Peter J. Schoomaker, Army chief of staff. “Our intent is to recognize Soldiers who demonstrate and live the Warrior Ethos.”

The CAB may be awarded to any Soldier, branch and military occupational specialty immaterial, performing assigned duties in an area where hostile fire pay or imminent danger pay is authorized, who is personally present and actively engaging or being engaged by the enemy, and

performing satisfactorily in accordance with the prescribed rules of engagement.

Commanders at the rank of major general will have award authority the CAB.

The CAB is distinct from other combat badges, officials said. The Combat Infantryman’s Badge, or CIB, and Combat Medical Badge will remain unchanged, they said.

The Army will release an administrative message outlining exact rules and regulations for the CAB in the near future, officials said.

Although the final design of the CAB has not yet been released, officials said the award should be available this summer through unit supply and for purchase in military clothing sales stores.

For information on the CAB, see the soon-to-be-operational CAB Web site at [www.army.mil/symbols/combatbadges](http://www.army.mil/symbols/combatbadges).

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neighbors working together today to sow the seeds of tomorrow’s continued prosperity.”

During the event, LaPorte praised the award recipients, as well as emphasized the importance and the need for each American contribution to the ROK/US alliance.

“Each military member, civilian and family member are ambassadors who represent America, and I encourage them to get involved and give back to our host community.”

Each award recipient received a flower bouquet and a plaque from LaPorte before being ushered into a formal dinner with entertainment.

“This friendship between us is a very good thing,” said Hon. Park Young Chul, one of the award recipients. “We are very happy to be good neighbors.”

Nine Korean nationals were recognized by LaPorte, for exceptional contributions that enhance quality of life for military members and promote positive host-nation relations between ROK/U.S. relations. They are:

■ **Dr. Park Jung-ki** – president of Korean Corporate Members, Association of the U.S. Army. He has been a friend, benefactor and strong supporter of the ROK/U.S. alliance for more than 20 years

■ **Lee Se-jong** – director of the civil-military relations team, Gyeonggi Province II. Known to most Soldiers and U.S. civilians as “Daniel,” Lee serves as a member of the Korean-American Partnership Council and operates the USFK-Related Matters Consultation Center in Gyeonggi Province

■ **Hong Myung-ja** – American Red Cross volunteer at the 18th Medical Command. She has graciously shared her experience and immense pharmaceutical knowledge with an ever-changing staff of Soldiers and civilians at the 121st General Hospital outpatient pharmacy

■ **Cho Tae-hun** – Advisor to the

Community Osan Friendship Association. His contributions to the service members and their families assigned to the Songtan community have significantly enhanced the ROK/U.S. alliance and served to greatly improve the quality of life for assigned personnel

■ **Yi Hun-hui** – President of the Korea Special Tourism Association, Pyeongtaek Chapter. He has been a leader in promoting understanding and cultural exchange between USFK and the Pyongtaek community. He is one of the driving forces behind a grassroots effort highlighting local community support for USFK personnel working and living in Area III

■ **Park Cheong-kyu** – Superintendent of the Korean National Police, Kunsan. He has provided unprecedented force protection and investigative support for the servicemembers and families assigned to the Kunsan Air Base community

■ **Shin Sang-il** – President of the Daegu/Gyeongbuk Korean Corporate Members, Association of the U.S. Army. For nearly 40 years he has been a passionate supporter of USFK personnel throughout Area IV. His sustained dedication and contributions toward strengthening the ROK/U.S. alliance are without equal

■ **Hon. Park Young-chul** – Chairman of the Korea-America Friendship Society, Gwangju Chapter. He is also a former ambassador to the U.S. and current Vice President of the Gwangju Amateur Sports Association who has built a strong bridge of friendship between U.S. personnel and the citizens of Gwangju

■ **Lee Soon-hyoung** – President of Daw Kee Agency Co., Ltd., and has been a strong supporter of U.S. Navy Sailors in Chinhae and the thousands of visiting sailors from the seventh fleet for nearly a decade.

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time. I’ve been here for two years, and at the first time it took an hour, but nowadays it takes only 10 or 20 minutes,” said Johnson.

“NEO operations are very important for the whole community. I feel like I’ve

been taken care of by the Army whenever I participate in this operation,” said military spouse David Dillard.

*(Editor’s Note: Information for this article was contributed by Spc. Sadie Bleistein, 8th U.S. Army Public Affairs.)*

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## CRC teams react to potential threat



Sgt. 1st Class Scott Rominger, 718th Explosive Ordnance Detachment, attempts to identify the contents of an abandoned suitcase at the Camp Red Cloud Shoppette April 26.

By Spc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP RED CLOUD** — Military police and firefighters joined explosive ordnance and quick reactionary force teams to react to a potential bomb threat April 26 outside of an Army and Air Force Exchange Service facility.

Maj. Kenneth Tauke, 2nd Infantry Division deputy provost marshal, was going to the front-gate shoppette at about 9 a.m. when he noticed a piece of luggage leaning against the wall near the front entrance.

"I asked inside if it belonged to anyone," he said, "but no one claimed it. I asked how long it had been there, and was told two-and-a-half hours."

Suspicious of the bag, Tauke cleared the shoppette. Military Police, firefighters and quick reaction forces contained the area while Tauke called in an explosive ordnance team to evaluate the threat.

"Our first goal is to determine if there is anything in the bag," said Sgt. 1st Class Scott Rominger, 718th Explosive Ordnance Detachment. "If there is a real device, we take steps to render it as safe as we can and get it out of harm's way."

After examining the suitcase, Rominger determined that there was no explosive device inside and opened

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## 2ID holds career fair

By Spc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP CASEY** — The 2nd Infantry Division hosted a Junior Soldier Career Fair April 26 at the Carey Fitness Center here.

"The purpose of the career fair was to keep good Soldiers in the Army," said Lt. Col. Alan Bernard, 509th Personnel Service Battalion commander. "To that end, units from across 2ID and Area I came together to feature the best the Army has to offer."

More than 4,000 participants attended the event, which featured booths, demonstrations and static

displays highlighting different military occupational specialties. Soldiers also had the opportunity to attend briefings on commissioning programs, recruiting, and military pay and benefits.

The 2nd Infantry Division Band provided live music, while Army and Air Force Exchange Service and Morale, Welfare and Recreation food vendors offered food on site. Sponsors contributed \$10,000 in prizes given away in hourly drawings.

The fair gave Soldiers the chance to explore other specialties they are

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Sgt. 1st Class Rich Harbor, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 102nd Military Intelligence Battalion (right), talks to Soldiers about the military intelligence community at the Camp Casey Junior Enlisted Career Fair April 26.

## Camp Stanley unveils renovated self-help store

By David McNally

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP STANLEY** — Garrison officials reopened a completely renovated Camp Stanley Self-Help Store May 3 with a ribbon-cutting ceremony.

"The store started its renovation back in December and took about four weeks to do," said Steve Saxby, deputy installation coordinator.

Camp Stanley Korean Service Corps workers accomplished the project at a cost of almost \$52,000.

Beside the cosmetic improvements of paint, ceiling tiles, lighting fixtures and flooring, the store now features 350 items -- up from a previous inventory of 150 items.

Customers browse the shelves just like they would shopping in a civilian hardware store.

Officials said that was the point of the renovation.

"We have about 80 percent commercial items that you can find in a local hardware store," said Philip Yi, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Red Cloud, supply division chief. "But we didn't stop there. We're also working on an online catalog."

Yi said once they complete the online service, customers will be able to order self-help products from their office or barracks.

Yi said his staff started to brainstorm ideas to improve the garrison's self-help

system about 18 months ago.

"We conducted some market research and a productivity improvement review," Yi said. "Finally, we saved about \$2 million. About half of that savings we re-invested into self help."

"Before is was a dingy-looking facility," Saxby said. "It was made up of two-by-fours, plywood, with incandescent lighting. It was quite dingy."

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Sgt. 1st Class David Shannon shops at the new Camp Stanley Self-Help Store May 3.



## NEWS & NOTES

### Upcoming Concerts

Rock bands Quiet Riot and Skid Row will perform outdoor concerts 7 p.m. Saturday at Camp Casey and 5 p.m. Sunday at Camp Stanley.

■Country music acts Mark Wills and Jolie Edwards will perform 7 p.m. May 20 at Camp Casey and 7 p.m. May 25 at Camp Stanley.

■Concerts on Camp Casey will be behind Primo's Club, and concerts on Camp Stanley will be in the parking lot behind the commissary.

### Commissary Case-Lot Sale

The Defense Commissary Agency will host a case-lot sale at the Camp Red Cloud commissary from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday and Sunday. Shoppers can save up to 50 percent on certain items by purchasing them in bulk.

### Asian-Pacific Heritage Celebration

The Camp Red Cloud Equal Opportunity Office will host an Asian-Pacific Heritage luncheon 11:30 a.m. Monday at Mitchell's Club.

### Volunteer Ceremony

The quarterly Volunteer Awards Ceremony will be held 11:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. Tuesday at Camp Red Cloud's Mitchell's Club. For information, call 732-7277.

### Ordnance Corps Association Ball

The Ordnance Corps Association will hold its first ball May 26 at the Osan Officer's Club. Cost is \$25 per person. Dress is formal attire for civilians and dress blues for military.

### Concert on the Green

The 2nd Infantry Division Band will play their first of this year's Concerts on the Green 6:15 p.m. May 26 on Camp Red Cloud's Village Green.

### Holiday Seminars

The education centers at camps Red Cloud and Stanley are offering Good Cheer and Eager Student seminars over the Memorial Day holiday weekend, May 27-31. For schedules and information, contact your education center.

### Black-Market Hotline

The Black-Market Hotline number has changed to 738-5118. The number is monitored by an investigator during normal duty hours and switched to a recorder after hours. If an observation requires urgent attention, call the military police at 730-4417.

### Job Fair

Army Community Service and the Army Career Alumni Program are sponsoring a job fair Wednesday 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. at Camp Casey's Primo's Club. Advanced Technology Systems, Exchange New Car Sales, General Dynamics, Lucas Group, Vinnell Corporation, Wackenhut and the Calumet Group will be represented.

# Area I, Division hold joint FRG rally

By Spc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP CASEY** — Soldiers, civilians and family members joined the 2nd Infantry Division and Area I officials May 4 to kick off the establishment of Warrior Country family readiness groups.

Family readiness groups are unit-level organizations made up of family members, Soldiers, chains of command, civilians and agencies that foster the Army well-being program to enhance the readiness of Soldiers and dependents, said Faith Barnes, Area I social services representative. They also help keep families informed while Soldiers are deployed.

"The FRG keeps families connected to the unit and community through newsletters, phone trees and meetings," Barnes said. "They give out information."

Family readiness groups are a standard part of most military units, but have been absent from Area I because it is a noncommand sponsored area, she said.

Maj. Gen. George A. Higgins, 2nd

Infantry Division commanding general, said he saw the need to establish FRGs in Area I because of the speed of change in today's Army.

"With the uncertainty inherent in transformation and change, FRGs provide a vital stabilizing component to a rapidly dynamic situation," he said.

With the deployment of the 2nd Brigade Combat Team to Iraq and possible future deployments, spouses will now have a support system if their husbands have to leave.

"It will be helpful to know there's a group if my husband deploys," said Carla Durkins, a spouse.

Durkins said being in Korea is especially hard because spouses are so far away from family and friends.

"It's not too bad if you have someone here you can associate with," she said. "Really, we're all going through the same things. The FRGs will help people connect with others."

Higgins said the groups also help

increase the Soldiers' readiness by making sure their families are taken care of while they are deployed.

"My success as a Soldier the past 29 years turns on how much this woman here, Marilyn Higgins, has stood by me," he said, pointing to his wife. "Soldiers who are worrying about their

families cannot concentrate on the mission, so our readiness goes down."

Barnes

encourages Soldiers and family members to become involved in their unit's readiness group, and urged newcomers to contact the unit commander or first sergeant, or the Army Community Service for more information.

"We've got to make sure we're helping families no matter where we are," Higgins said. "It doesn't matter where the spouses are – Korea, Russia, the Philippines or the U.S. – they're our spouses, and we owe it to them to be there for them."

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**"The FRGs will help people connect with others."**

— Carla Durkins

# Korean War veterans tour 2ID Museum

By Spc. Stephanie Pearson

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP RED CLOUD** — Twenty-year-old Jose Hinojosa was fresh out of basic combat training in January 1951 when he deployed to Korea. The then-private first class was assigned to Easy Company, 23rd Infantry Regiment, 2nd Infantry Division.

On the morning of Feb. 13, Hinojosa woke to the sounds of bugles and drums. Confused, he turned to his battle buddy to ask what was going on. His buddy told him to grab a weapon and take cover – the Chinese were attacking.

For three days, Hinojosa and 5,000 U.S. Soldiers were held under siege, surrounded by 90,000 Chinese troops in the battle of Chipyeong-ri. The men finally broke free Feb. 15 with the arrival of the 7th Cavalry Regiment.

It was the first time friendly forces had defeated the Chinese. The accomplishment marked a turning point in the war.

Hinojosa, now 75, recounted his experience May 3 in the room dedicated to the battle of Chipyeong-ri at the 2nd Infantry Division Museum.

Hinojosa visited the museum as part of a Korean-American Friendship Association tour with 23 other Korean War veterans from San Antonio.

Before touring the museum, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Red Cloud officials held a luncheon for the veterans at Mitchell's Club on Camp Red Cloud.

"You would be surprised and amazed at the wealth of knowledge that resides in those troops," said Garrison Sgt. Maj. Ricardo Soto-Acevedo. "I love talking to them – you can learn a lot from them."

Soto said the veterans were responsible for the Warrior Ethos.

"We didn't just come up with it," he said. "They were living it before we ever wrote it down."

Soto thanked the veterans for the sacrifices they made during the war, saying, "You are the reason we can be here today."

The trip to Camp Red Cloud was one stop on the veteran's 13-day tour of the peninsula.

The group toured Panmunjom May 3, and planned to



SPC. STEPHANIE PEARSON

Korean War veterans listen to a briefing at the 2nd Infantry Division Museum. The men fought in Korea during the 1950-53 conflict.

visit the battle grounds of Punch Bowl, Bloody Ridge and Heartbreak Ridge, the War Memorial of Korea in Seoul, a former prisoner-of-war camp in Geojje City, the Republic of Korea Marine Division Headquarters, and several other significant sites.

"We wanted to give the veterans a chance to see Korea again," said Won Pae-pak, tour coordinator and president of KAFA from San Antonio. "These are the men who actually fought here."

For Hinojosa, the best part of the trip was going back to the 2nd Infantry Division and touring the museum.

"I'm a lifetime member of the 2nd Infantry Division," he said. "But this is their world now – mine was 50 years ago."

Hinojosa said coming back gave his experiences new meaning.

"What was once a desolated, destroyed place is now built up and green," he said. "Seeing it makes it all worthwhile. We helped give these people their country back."

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# Road construction approaches CRC



DAVID McNALLY

UiJeongbu road construction approaches the Camp Red Cloud fence (left). Officials said the project is waiting additional funding before proceeding.

By Spc. Stephanie Pearson

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**CAMP RED CLOUD** — Garrison officials announced last week that a UiJeongbu road-widening project is still on target.

The plan calls for widening Highway 39, the road adjacent to the main gate, from four lanes to eight.

“To do it properly, they need to take a portion of the front of Camp Red Cloud,” said Lt. Col. William Huber, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Red Cloud commander. “The biggest part of the base they’re going to take is the southeast corner. The transportation motor pool, fire station and military police station will still operate, but we will lose the fuel station, taxi stand, bus stop and 2nd Infantry Division Band rehearsal building.”

An agreement signed by both parties in December 2003 outlines the circumstances under which the garrison will turn over the land. According to the agreement, UiJeongbu officials agreed to build new facilities to replace the ones lost in the road widening.

“We will do the design and construction so we can make sure we meet U.S. standards,” said Edward Harris, Directorate of Plans and Works director. “The Far Eastern Division of the Corps of Engineers will be the project and construction

managers, but the funds will come from the City of UiJeongbu.”

The new construction, costing an estimated \$11 million, will include:

- \$2.3 million band facility on the west side of post, near the ninth hole of the golf course

- \$1.8 million company operations facility

- \$1.5 million Army and Air Force Exchange filling station

- \$900,000 bus and taxi stand, to be located near the commissary

The largest construction, however, will be a new main gate with a \$3 million price tag.

“It will be a state-of-the-art entrance facility,” Huber said.

Construction is expected to start in late fall or early winter. Huber promised that the camp will remain functional, and no buildings will be torn down until the new ones are complete.

“This is a good, positive project for the camp and the city,” he said. “We get new facilities at no cost to us, and they get the wider road. Anytime you improve your traffic system, you improve your economy.”

Harris said the design phase is complete and city officials are waiting for additional funding before proceeding.

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## Survivor of Nazi death camp shares story with troops

By David McNally

Area I Public Affairs

**CAMP CASEY** — Soldiers of the 177th Finance Battalion and 2nd Infantry Division gathered at the Warrior Club May 5 to listen to the story of a man who survived the darkest days of the Nazi genocide.

Thomas Toivi Blatt, a Polish-born Jew, found himself and his entire family in the custody of the German military at the Sobibor concentration camp in Eastern Poland in the early 1940s.

Blatt, a teenager at the time of his imprisonment, said his will to live must have shown through his eyes on his first day at the camp.

“I remember standing in front of a long green fence,” Blatt recalled. “I said goodbye to my mother in a way that still hurts me today.”

Blatt said he wanted to live and prayed to God for help.

“Come out little one, you will be my shoeshine boy,” a German officer told Blatt.

The rest of Blatt’s family was sent to the gas chambers.

“Sometimes we have a tendency to forget,” said Sgt. 1st Class Sherinette Haynes, 2nd Infantry Division Equal Opportunity advisor. “As it’s called ‘Days of Remembrance,’ we come together to remember what happened during the Holocaust.”

By U.S. presidential proclamation, Americans are encouraged to reflect on the Holocaust May 1-8.

“I believe our Soldiers know generally what happened during the Holocaust,” Haynes said. “But I hope this event will spark them into going online and research on their own.”



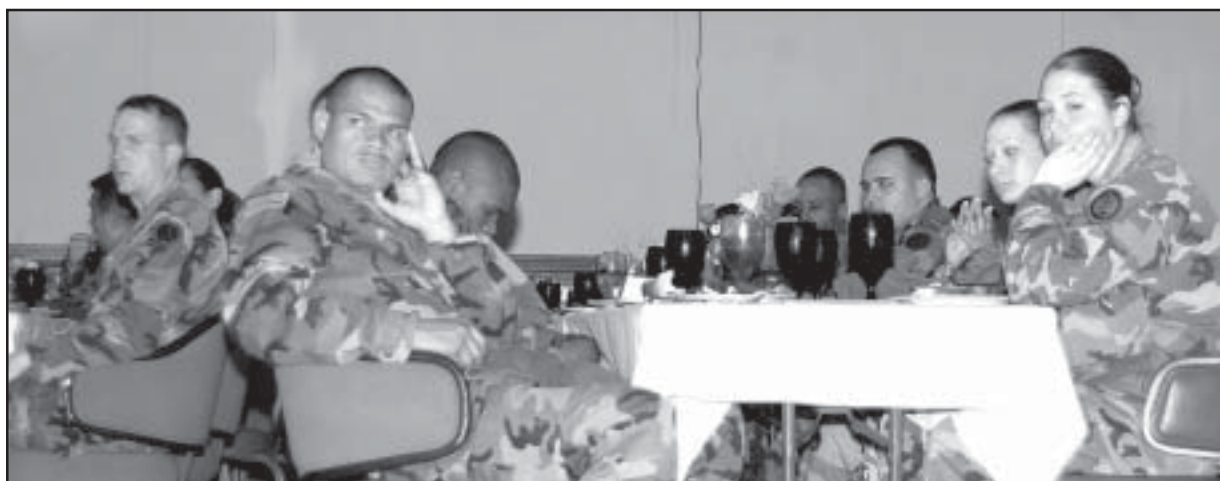
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Thomas Toivi Blatt, a survivor of Sobibor death camp, tells U.S. and Korean Soldiers about his ordeal during World War II.



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Railways lead to the Sobibor camp. The concentration camp was built by the German Army in 1942 in Eastern Poland.



Camp Casey Soldiers from the 177th Finance Battalion participate in a “Days of Remembrance” event May 5 at the Warrior Club.

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Saxby said the facility is now quite modern.

“It was not well lit or very organized,” said Sgt. 1st Class David Shannon, Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, Division Artillery. “Now, it’s great. You can find things easily.”

Shannon said he is a regular customer of the self-help store. He signs out steam cleaners, vacuum cleaners and all kinds of tools.

Under the old system, a sample item would be on display. When a customer chose an item, the worker would go

to the backroom to get the product.

Now, all items are on the shelves for customers to pick for themselves.

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service donated the shelves from their Camp Page store.

Yi said their online service initiative is about 95 percent complete.

“This is a great day for Camp Stanley,” said Lt. Col. Edward Mount, Division Artillery executive officer. “It is proof of what everyone is doing to improve life at Camp Stanley.”

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the bag, revealing another empty piece of luggage folded up inside.

Tauke gave the “all clear” at 10:15 a.m., and praised the teams involved for their quick reaction and cooperation.

“It went well,” he said. “Ninety-nine percent of the time, there is nothing to a threat, but we did the right thing.”

If a Soldier or civilian sees a suspicious package, they should take immediate action, Tauke said.

“First, make sure it really is unattended,” he said. “Ask if it belongs

to anyone. If not, walk away and call the MPs. Let people know to stay away, and don’t use cell phones in the vicinity of the package.”

Tauke encouraged Soldiers and civilians to remain aware of their surroundings and remember that there is always a potential for terrorist threats.

“We must all remain vigilant,” he said, “not only on the installation, but off as well.”

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interested in learning more about, and gave them the opportunity to review re-enlistment options, Bernard said.

Sgt. Tod Barclay, a platoon sniper with 1st Battalion, 72nd Armor Regiment, manned an exhibit for cavalry scouts wearing a sniper’s “gillie suit” and displaying high-powered rifles.

“People have definitely expressed interest in becoming a cavalry scout,” he said, “so I’m helping with the Army’s retention program. People who aren’t happy with their jobs and want to try something else don’t have to leave the Army to do that. Here they can see what else there is available.”

“This is the first fair I’ve been to that is focused on re-enlistment,” said Sgt. 1st Class Rich Harbor, 102nd Military Intelligence Battalion. “It’s always been an important decision, but even more so now. People should be well informed, and I think this helps.”

Many of the Soldiers who participated in the event said they saw jobs they would

like to try. Eleven retention noncommissioned officers were on hand to assist those with questions about reclassifying into a new field, and talked to more than 275 Soldiers interested in pursuing career opportunities learned about during the fair.

“The engineer station for 21 Bravos made me want to change my MOS,” said Pfc. Will Thompson, Battery B, 6th Battalion, 37 Field Artillery Regiment.

But not everyone who attended the career fair decided to make a change.

“It’s really neat to learn about all the other stuff the Army offers,” said Spc. Joe Reckert, Battery B, 6th Battalion, 37 Field Artillery Regiment.

“The Soldiers all walked away armed with a great deal of knowledge, which was our intent,” said Capt. William Vick, 509th PSB event organizer.

The next career fair is scheduled for Nov. 22.

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Haynes said she hoped having a living piece of history would interest Soldiers into learning more.

Blatt showed clips from a movie about his experience at the concentration camp. The 1987 made-for-television movie, “Escape from Sobibor,” starred Rutger Hauer and Allan Arkin. The film documented how the prisoners successfully revolted against their captors.

Blatt was among the 300 prisoners to escape in the 1943 revolt.

“When everything is taken from you, you are always left with hope,” Blatt said. “It was the only successful

revolt at a concentration camp.”

Blatt started lecturing about the Holocaust in 1962. He wrote two books and produced two documentary films about his experiences during the war.

“Why do I this?” Blatt asked the Soldiers. “It is in my conscience. What could happen if we give up?”

Blatt said since the end of the war, he dedicated his life to accurately preserve the memory of the more than 250,000 Jews who were murdered at the Sobibor death camp.

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## keepin' it legal

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## The Jury of the Future: Part IV

**YONGSAN** — Law Day, which was held on May 1, is an annual event hosted by the American Bar Association. The purpose of Law Day is to educate the public about our legal heritage and how the rule of law makes it possible for democracy to exist.

Since Part I (Keepin' it legal: Why juries matter, April 15 edition of the Morning Calm Weekly), I have had the pleasure of posting Law Day articles written and sponsored by the ABA. This week will be the final installation of the ABA four-part series. I hope you enjoyed all four articles, including the article below, written by the ABA.

### Jury of the Future

The American jury is not a static institution — it has evolved over hundreds of years into its modern form. And it may continue to change in the future.

### Unanimous Verdicts

Traditionally, juries had to reach a unanimous verdict to convict the defendant in a criminal trial. If jurors could not reach a unanimous verdict, the judge would declare a mistrial due to a "hung jury." But in 1972, the U.S. Supreme Court held that a defendant could be convicted if as few as nine of twelve jurors voted for a guilty verdict. Despite this decision, most states still require unanimous verdicts to convict a criminal defendant.

### Exemptions from Service

Courts once automatically exempted some people from jury service, including lawyers and judges, students, people caring for young children and medical professionals. Today, many courts have eliminated automatic exemptions. Instead, those seeking to be excused must appear in court in response to a summons for jury service and show that their service would create a unique hardship.

### Reforms to Help Jurors

Imagine being forced to take a college course you knew nothing about. The speakers use technical language you don't understand, and you can't take notes, ask questions, or consult your classmates. In the past, jury service has felt like this to a lot of people. Courts today are trying to improve the experience of jurors. In some courts, judges can instruct jurors about key legal issues at the start of the trial, instead of at the end. More

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By ALEX HARRINGTON



Top: Air traffic control operator Spc. Carlos Gomez checks the new communications system in a tactical Air Traffic Control tower after the H-264 VIP Helipad opening ceremony May 9.

Left: Layout of the new heliport near Collier Field House includes 20-foot high, 24-inch thick walls that encircle the new pad to reduce noise from approaching helicopters.

## Yongsan Garrison opens new heliport

*H-264 VIP Helipad designated for military flight ops*

By Alex Harrington

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN** — Under sunny skies, Area II Support Activity Commander Col. Timothy McNulty and Col. David Abramowitz, commander, 17th Aviation Brigade, opened the new heliport (H-264 VIP Helipad) near Collier Field House on South Post May 9 during a ribbon cutting ceremony.

The helipad has been relocated from H-208 VIP Helipad near Gate #17 to an area near Collier Field House and has been redesignated as the H-264 VIP Helipad.

The area will be used for military flight operations and consists of one landing pad, which can accommodate a single UH-60 Blackhawk helicopter.

Movement of the helipad was at the request of the Republic of Korea Ministry of Culture and Tourism and U.S. Forces Korea agreed to turn over valuable land near the National Museum to better protect cultural treasures.

"This turnover is evidence of the continued close relationship we enjoy as an alliance, and we will take every opportunity to reduce the inconveniences

of military activities on our neighbors," said USFK in a written release.

Together, Area II Department of Public Works and the Army Corps of Engineers erected a 20-foot high, 24-inch thick wall that encircles the new pad to reduce noise from approaching helicopters.

"For the past three to four weeks, the 17th Aviation Brigade has been practicing landing routes on the pad," said Chief Warrant Officer James Griner, 17th Avn. Bde. safety officer.

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## Citizen's Day



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Col. Timothy K. McNulty, commander, Area II Support Activity, and 19 members of the Area II Support Activity struggle in a tug-of-war competition with Mayor Park Jang-kyu, Yongsan District and 19 Korean government officials representing Yongsan-ku's 20 townships, to determine the winners at the annual Yongsan-ku Citizen's Day celebration, May 1. The 'Tug' ended in a draw. The Eighth U.S. Army band also participated and played several musical numbers while marching in a parade held on the Yongsan Boys High School in Huamdong, adjacent to Camp Coirer.



## NEWS & NOTES

### Commander's Hotline

Area II residents who have questions or comments for the Area II commander can voice them by e-mailing [areaiitownhall@korea.army.mil](mailto:areaiitownhall@korea.army.mil).

### Area II Military/Civilian Awards Ceremony

The Area II Support Activity Military/Civilian Awards Ceremony will be held at 3 p.m. Friday in the Army Community Service auditorium. For information, call 738-4711.

### Signal Corps Ball

The 2005 Signal Corps Ball will be held Saturday at the Grand Hyatt Hotel. For information, call 1st. Lt. Gary Jones at 722-4458.

### Camp Adventure

Yongsan/Hannam School-Age Services and Camp Adventure Youth Services is co-hosting summer recreation programs for Area II Child & Youth Services June 27 - Aug. 19. Sign-ups will be held 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Saturday at Youth Services Gym, South Post. For information, call 738-4707 or 723-4522.

### Asian-Pacific American Commemoration Ceremony

Area II Support Activity Commander and the Equal Opportunity Office will host the Area II Asian-Pacific American Commemoration ceremony 11:30 a.m. - 1 p.m. Tuesday at the Balboni Theater. For information, call 738-5950/5900.

### KATUSA and U.S. Soldier Friendship Week

KATUSA and U.S. Soldier Friendship Week Festival will be held May 23 - 26, South Post. The Festival includes athletic events between KATUSA and U.S. Soldiers, to include a night concert. For information, call 738-3429.

### Organizational Day for AAFES facilities

AAFES will close Yongsan Main Store May 24 for Organization day. For information, call 738-7403.

### Sports physical exams

121st General Hospital is taking requests for annual or sports physicals for school-aged children, 3- to 17-year-olds. They have more than 100 open slots any child who has not had a physical since Sept 30, 2004. The annual physical is good for 12 months. Please have your child's medical record, immunization card, and sports form ready when you come to your appointment. Call Pediatric Clinic at 737-8072 for an appointment.

# Area II remembers Holocaust victims

By Sgt. Christopher Selmek

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN** — Sept. 1, 1937, the Germans invaded Poland, and at 12-years of age Thomas Toivi Blatt and his family lived in the largely Jewish town of Izbica in the Lublin district of Poland—the district that was to become the site of three major Nazi extermination camps: Belzec, Sobibor, and Majdanek.

During the Holocaust Observance May 3 at South Post Chapel, Blatt, author and Holocaust survivor, recalled chilling events that led to his deportation to Sobibor, and of the six months he spent there before taking part in the now-famous uprising and mass breakout.

“For many, my story might seem like a horror fiction. But I assure you, the truth in this case surpasses any fiction,” said Blatt.

In a heavy Polish accent, Blatt spoke before a gathering of U.S. servicemembers and civilians about his youth in Izbica, Poland, a Jewish ghetto which he described as “an open air prison and a place where you wait to die...”

Blatt also identified the dictator who caused such death and pain for Jews in Poland.

“If someone had recognized Hitler before the start of ‘Operation Reinhard,’ maybe a few thousand people would have died. But nobody stopped him, so millions died. You must recognize a tyrant before he can come to power,” he said.

During the event Blatt praised the American military for their sacrifice and selfless dedication to preserve the freedom of South Koreans.

“For me ... it is a great honor to speak in front of representatives of the American Army,” Blatt said.

“Days of Remembrance” is a week-long holiday based on the Jewish lunar calendar to commemorate lives lost during the Holocaust and remind people of their duty not to let such a thing happen again.

“Our nation commemorates this day annually, so that each



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*The Guest Speaker, Thomas Toivi Blatt, a lecturer for the Washington Commission for Humanities speaks about his experience in the Sobibor death camp during WWII at the Holocaust Commemoration Ceremony held May 3 in South Post Chapel.*

year any who does not know will learn, and so that people who have learned will never forget,” said Sgt. Baek Seung-min, master of ceremonies. “The victims of the Holocaust deserve this respect and remembrance, for there may yet come a day when our Armed Forces once again have to combat an enemy trying to repeat the holocaust. Hopefully, that day will never come.”

Chaplain David Colwell, in his invocation, warned of an even more frightening scenario, not that a new Holocaust may rise up overseas, but that the nation must do all it can to preserve the memory for fear of succumbing to our own dark urges.

“The evil of conformity is an evil that nourishes the dark tides of human wickedness,” said Colwell. “The absence of conscience, not a stranger to any group or time but rather a component of moral brokenness, is the very sin warned of throughout scripture.”

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## Taking Action

*Micaela McCre, middle, a Seoul American High School student of the teen work group, gives her opinion on the current school issues at the Army Family Action Plan Conference held April 26 at Dragon Hill Lodge.*

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courts are permitting jurors to take notes during the trial. Some courts also permit jurors to submit possible questions to be asked of witnesses, under the supervision of a judge. And many jurors are supplied with notebooks to keep copies of documents, information and evidence.

### Focus Questions

The Supreme Court has reasoned that the primary purpose of a jury is to prevent government oppression of the accused. Do you think this purpose has been served if most, but not all, jurors agree with the government's decision to prosecute? How many jurors do you think need to agree

on a verdict to adequately protect the interests of the accused?

There have been a number of reforms to make jury service a better experience for jurors. Search the newspaper to learn of those in the community and state. Can you think of any other reforms that may be needed in the future?

*(Editor's note: this article can be found on the American Bar Association website: <http://www.abanet.org/publiced/lawday/05nie2.pdf>)*

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## Yongsan Fire & Emergency Services receives DoD award

By Alex Harrington

Area II Public Affairs

**YONGSAN** — For achieving the highest degree of excellence in mission support and fire protection management, the Area II Fire & Emergency Services Division received the Korea-level Department of Defense “Fire Department of the Year Award” during a ceremony May 6 on South Post.

The Fire & Emergency Services Division was recognized for its achievement and accomplishments in direct support of Area II Support Activity through its safety education programs, handling unexploded ordnance emergencies and conducting fire extinguisher and first-aid training.

“We conducted tremendous amounts of fire safety education for the Area II Community, reaching out to more than 22,000 members of our community in spreading the fire safety awareness message,” said Fire Chief Alex Temporado, Area II Fire & Emergency Services Division.

Handling unexploded ordnance also earned them merit for the annual award.

In 2004, residents living adjacent to Gate #37 near Blackhawk Village were alerted, and some were evacuated after the discovery of an unexploded ordnance artillery round by a Department of Public Works construction crew.

“We mitigated an unexploded ordnance emergency of a live 105mm Korean war artillery round found in Black Hawk Village,” said Temporado.

Winning the “Best Army Fire Department” award makes them eligible to compete with other fire departments for the highest award.



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*Installation Management Agency-Korea Region Director Brig. Gen. H.T. Landwormeyer Jr., congratulates members of the Area II Fire & Emergency Services Division for the achievement of winning the Korea-level Department of Defense “Fire Department of the Year Award” during a ceremony, May 6.*

“We were selected as the ‘Best Army Fire Department’ in South Korea,” said Temporado, adding that the department will be competing against Department of Defense fire departments from around the world for the “Best Fire Department in Department of Defense” award.

Temporado extended his gratitude to all involved who helped usher in DoD’s award.

“I would just like to say that this was definitely a team effort with tremendous support from the Area

II commander, Department of Public Works and the community. The firefighters of Area II are grateful for all the support.”

Installation Management Agency-Korea Region Director Brig. Gen. H.T. Landwormeyer Jr. and Area II Commander Col. Timothy K. McNulty congratulated the firefighters personally May 6 during a visit to the fire station.

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## Community Events, Classes and Meetings

**Asbestos Awareness Class**  
Department of Public Works Environmental Office will host an asbestos awareness class May 20 in the DPW Conference Room. Korean class will be 9 -11 a.m. and English class will be 1:30 - 3 p.m. For information, call 724-7214.

**ACAP/ACS Job Fair**  
The Army Career and Alumni Program, Army Community Service's Employment Readiness Program and Air Force Transition Assistance Program will host a job fair 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. May 21 at the Embassy Club. For information, call 738-7334 or 738-8977.

## Community News

**DHL 15th Anniversary**  
The 15th Dragon Hill Lodge Anniversary will be held at 5 p.m. May 20 in the Courtyard. The anniversary includes "A Taste of DHL" reception, 3 kilometer Family Fun Run and a Block Party. For information, call 738-2222.

**3rd PCS Garage Sale**  
The Third Annual PCS garage sale will be 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. May 21 beside Dragon Hill Lodge's "The Point" upper parking garage. For information, call 738-2222.

**Peninsula-Wide Softball Tournament**  
The Peninsula-Wide Softball Tournament will be held May 27-29 at the second field by Collier Field House. For information, call 011-9680-2097.

**Annual June Jamboree**  
The Installation Exceptional Family Member Program and Seoul American Elementary, Middle, and High School will host the 19th Annual June Jamboree June 3 at Yongsan. Activities will include swimming, bowling, picnic and games. For information, call 738-5311 or e-mail CarterAl@korea.army.mil.

**A Bazaar for Donations**  
'The Beautiful Store,' a non-profit organization, opens a bazaar 1 - 4 p.m. May 28 in Duk-song High School near Insadong. For information, e-mail swapnsale@hotmail.com.

**1st Italian Wine Festival**  
The First Italian Wine Festival will be held 6 p.m. today - Sunday at Dragon Hill Lodge. Italian food, wines and romantic songs will be offered throughout the festival. For information, call 738-2222.

**The Asian X Games**  
The Asian X Games will be held May 27-29 at Jamsil Stadium. A free shuttle is available for those attending the games. Admission is free. For information, log on to [www.uso.org/korea](http://www.uso.org/korea).

## Movies and Opera

**Korean Traditional Music and Dance Classes for Foreigners**  
Classes of Korean traditional music and dance for foreigners will be every Saturday by June 4 at the National Center for Korean Traditional Performing Arts. For information, call 580-3054 or log on to [www.ncktpa.go.kr](http://www.ncktpa.go.kr).

## Exhibitions and Festivals

**Korean Sculpture Exhibition**  
Korean talented artist, Kim, Jong-young hosts the sculpture exhibition. The exhibition includes 70 sculptures and 90 drawings adapting Western technique to Korean motifs. For information, log on to [www.moca.go.kr](http://www.moca.go.kr).

**Late Night Movie Screening**  
The Sejong Center for the Performing Arts hosts a late night movie screening at 10 p.m. every Friday. For information, call 399-1114.

**Spring Fountain Garden Festival**  
The Sejong Center hosts the spring festival at 12:20 p.m. May 20 at the fountain sward behind the Arts Center. For information, call 399-1623.

**3rd World Ceramic Biennale**  
The Third World Ceramic Biennale will be held with the theme of "Ceramics: The Vehicle of Culture" through June 19 in Icheon, Yeosu and Gwangju. For information, call 031-631-6504.

**Religious activities**  
**Fellowship Fun Run**  
"Women on the Move for Christ" hosts a 5 kilometer fun run at 8:30 a.m. Saturday at the Collier Field House. For information, e-mail [Ima\\_woe@yahoo.com](mailto:Ima_woe@yahoo.com).

**Submitting to TMCW**  
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# Battle of Bulge quilt honors vets father's memory

By By Eric Cramer

Army News Service

**WASHINGTON** — Debbie Lehman Prohaska wanted to do something to honor her father, who had been Pfc. Harry Lehman when he was severely injured by a landmine during Operation Market Garden in 1944.

“Dad came to me with these patches from uniforms, and said ‘I want you to make a quilt,’” she said. “Mom had quilted — I didn’t know how to quilt, but I told him I’d work it out.”

Her father had given her the shoulder patches from several different units that saw action in World War II. He asked her to make a quilt honoring the Battle of the Bulge.

She decided she needed more patches to complete the quilt.

“I started contacting the Battle of the Bulge veterans organizations,” she said. “These people would send me their uniform patches — some of them had been laying around in ring boxes for 60 years — and I’d add them to the quilt. I got a lot of great stories from these guys who would say ‘Tell your Dad...’ and tell me things that had happened to them during the war.”

The quilt was “about 90 percent finished” when Prohaska’s father passed away in February of this year.

“I had to learn to sew and quilt, and I had to research World War II and the Battle of the Bulge to complete Dad’s request,” Prohaska said.

Prohaska said the quilt, which she has named the “Quilt of Love,” is a work in progress, as more and more veterans provide her with additional information.

“I found out this one unit badge was worn so that it is diamond-shaped, not square like I’d guessed, so I’m going to have to reattach it,” she said.

Not everything on the quilt is from World War II. An Air Force patch is included, at her father’s request, because he



ERIC CRAMER

*Talley Kelley, a Battle of the Bulge veteran, points to his unit insignia, the 87th Infantry, on Debbie Prohaska's commemorative quilt. Prohaska made the quilt at the request of her father who was also a combat veteran of World War II.*

said the “Air Force” provided such great assistance to his unit during the war, even though it was the Army Air Corps until 1948, after the war’s end.

The quilt also includes qualification badges and some

unit badges from Vietnam, simply because veterans sent them to Prohaska.

Among details on the quilt are two panels containing original art work by Hank Stairs, an artist who served with the 30th Infantry Division during the Battle of the Bulge. One depicts an incident Stairs witnessed, in which Nazi soldiers disguised in American uniforms and driving American jeeps were repulsed from a bridge at Stavelot, Belgium. The second is a memorial to World War II artist Bill Mauldin, which shows Mauldin’s famous Soldiers “Willy and Joe” standing over Mauldin’s grave.

On May 4, Prohaska was scheduled to meet a group of World War II veterans at the National World War II Memorial in Washington. Although she eventually met the group, the quilt attracted attention from many of the memorial’s visitors.

“That’s my unit patch, right there, the 87th Infantry,” said Talley Kelley, a Battle of the Bulge veteran. “I was with D Company, the machine gun company. The war ended on my birthday when I was in a shell hole in Czechoslovakia.”

Kelley said only 11 members of his company are still alive. “We keep in touch. I don’t think people realize now just how young we were back then.”

He said the quilt was a great honor to veterans of the battle.

Paul Shambaugh served with naval construction battalion “Seabees” on Eniwetok atoll and Guam during World War II.

“I’ve never seen anything like this. It’s just a wonderful thing,” he said of the quilt.

Spc. Jennifer Hutt of the 902nd Military Intelligence Group was also impressed by Prohaska’s effort.

“I think it’s a tremendous honor to the people who served in that generation,” Hutt said. “I’m very impressed by her pride in her father’s service.”



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KUNSAN 782-4987	Sahara PG-13	Sahara PG-13	Be Cool PG-13	No Show	Be Cool PG-13	The Ring Too PG-13	The Ring Too PG-13



**Amityville Horror**  
In 1974, police discovered the entire DeFeo family, all slaughtered as they slept calmly in their beds. Ronald DeFeo confessed to murdering his parents and four siblings, and claimed it was the “voices” that told him to do it. One year later, George and Kathy Lutz move their family into the house, thinking it was going to be their dream home. The Lutz family only lasted 28 days in their home after they were terrorized by a demonic force that drove them away. Based on the true story.

**Ice Princess** -- Casey has never quite fit in. Caught between her fantasy of becoming a championship figure skater and her strong-willed mother, who has her on the fast track to Harvard, she can only hope to be like Nikki, Tiffany and Gen - three elite skating prodigies who are ruthlessly competing on the US National circuit. Casey takes on the challenge of her life when she finds herself competing against the best to make it into the championship circuit.

**Be Cool** -- Chili Palmer sees a friend killed while he's at lunch, and when he visits the wife of the deceased, he pitches himself as her new business partner, hoping to enter the music industry. Chili takes on a would-be pop star as a client but soon finds himself dealing with Russian mobsters, an incompetent manager, and other complications.

**The Ring Too**  
Sequel to the horror flick The Ring, Naomi Watts reprises her role as Rachel Keller, who, six months after the events of the first film, moves to Astoria, Ore., with her son, Aidan, to escape their memories of what happened in Seattle. When a few locals start dying, however, and a strange videotape reappears, Rachel becomes aware that the creepy Samara is back and after Aidan.

**Million Dollar Baby**  
Frankie Dunn is a veteran boxing trainer who has devoted his life to the ring and has little to show for it; he's estrangement from his daughter and a fighter he's groomed into contender status has signed with another manager. Then, Maggie Fitzgerald enters his life and announces she needs a trainer. Frankie regards her as a dubious prospect, as she's too old, lacks experience, and has no technique. Finally won over by her determination, Frankie takes on Maggie, forging an emotional bond as they train.

**XXX: State of the Union** -- NSA Agent Augustus Gibbons, fresh off the success of his last renegade recruitment, once again finds himself in need of an outsider. Gibbons and his new agent, also code-named “XXX,” must track a dangerous military splinter group led by Willem Dafoe that is conspiring to overthrow the U.S. Government in the nation's capital.

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RED CLOUD 732-6620	A Lot Like Love PG-13	Million Dollar Baby PG-13	Million Dollar Baby PG-13	Diary of a Mad Black Woman PG-13	Diary of a Mad Black Woman PG-13	No Show	XXX: State of the Union PG-13
STANLEY 732-5565	Million Dollar Baby PG-13	Million Dollar Baby PG-13	Be Cool PG-13	Be Cool PG-13	No Show	XXX: State of the Union PG-13	The Ring Too PG-13
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YONGSAN III 738-7389	Ice Princess G	Ice Princess G	Ice Princess G	Because of Winn-Dixie PG	Because of Winn-Dixie PG	Be Cool PG-13	Be Cool PG-13



# Applying wisdom of the 12-step tradition

By Chaplain (Capt.) Patrick Rohen

1/194th Maintenance Battalion

A number of years ago, a minister in a church with whom I was familiar, made the following statement: “There is a difference between being religious and being spiritual.”

This same individual then went on to say that being religious, in and of itself, does not necessarily make someone spiritual. After thinking about what had just been said, I asked this person, “Do you believe that there are a lot of people in this world who are religious and not necessarily spiritual?” The answer was affirmative: “Yes.”

After considering what had just been said, I then remarked, “I suppose such a position as you espouse might help explain why there are good people (and some not so good) in all religious traditions.” Additionally, I asked the following question: “Might it be possible, then, that there are many people in this world who, although

they are not active in a formal place of worship, might, nonetheless, be practitioners of something beyond themselves?” Again, this same person answered in the affirmative.

A simple way of restating these concepts is in this manner: Going to a church, mosque or synagogue does not guarantee that someone is connected with a power greater than that individual’s own self. In my own tradition (Catholic), someone once said the following to me about this line of reasoning: “Gee, Father, that explains why so many mean and nasty people go to church.”

Although we might be taken back by such a comment, there does seem to be a point of truth in what was stated: Going to a church, mosque or synagogue does not make, in and of itself, someone a good person. What, then, is the solution to balancing the relationship between being religious and being spiritual?

From my own experience, and in connecting with the experiences of others, I have come to value the spirituality associated with the 12-Step Tradition. The 12-Step Tradition first became popular among people recovering from alcohol abuse. The 12-Step Tradition is now being utilized by people struggling not only with alcohol addiction, but with other challenges.

Although it formally became popular in America after World War II, its roots go back much, much further. The beauty and wisdom of this spiritual approach to our lives, is that it can be practiced by any person in any society at any time. Furthermore, it accepts a person exactly where she or he might be in life and helps her or him move into a greater dimension. The 12-Step Tradition of spirituality helps bridge the gap between religion, or the lack thereof, and the encounter with that which is truly spiritual.

## Area III Worship Services

### Protestant

Lutheran	Sunday	8 a.m.	Freedom Chapel
Collective		10 a.m.	Suwon Air Base
		2 p.m.	Camp Eagle
Collective		10:30 a.m.	Zoeckler Chapel
Collective		11 a.m.	Freedom Chapel
		11 a.m.	Camp Long

Gospel	Sunday	1 p.m.	Freedom Chapel
Latter-day Saints		4 p.m.	Freedom Chapel
Contemporary		6 p.m.	Freedom Chapel
Korean		7 p.m.	Camp Long

### Catholic

Mass	Daily	11:45 a.m.	Freedom Chapel
Mass	Sunday	9:30 a.m.	Freedom Chapel

Mass	Sunday	1 p.m.	Suwon Air Base
Mass		3 p.m.	Camp Long
Mass		4:10 p.m.	Camp Eagle

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# Seoul Motor Show 2005

By David McNally

Area I Public Affairs

**ILSAN** — Throngs of automobile enthusiasts descended on the new Korea International Exhibition Center April 29-May 8 for the 2005 Seoul Motor Show.

Officials claimed it as the biggest ever in the show's history. This is the fifth such exhibition since 1995.

Korean President Roh Mu-hyun and 900 guests officially opened the internationally-sanctioned event.

Organizers said 211 different automobile models were displayed during the 10-day extravaganza. The show featured 22 new brands and 20 concept cars.

Officials hoped the motor show would showcase the nation's 50-year-old auto manufacturing industry to the world.

Many domestic car companies used the show to unveil new models. Thirty-three manufacturers from 10 countries participated.

The venue is the largest exhibition center in Korea. The facility celebrated its grand opening April 29 with the motor show being its first exhibition.

Ilsan, a Seoul suburb, was well-prepared for the nearly one million visitors. While many people arrived by subway or bus, organizers prepared additional parking lots near the exhibition hall.

The next Seoul Motor Show is scheduled for 2007.

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Designers work in front of the crowds.



Ford shows off the new Mustang at the show.



Many exhibitors provide entertainment to visitors, like this magic performance at the Kia booth.



A model shows off the Ssangyong XMT concept car at the 2005 Seoul Motor Show at the Korea International Exhibition Center.



A model greets visitors at the Jeep booth.



Daimler-Chrysler presents the Crossfire, a sporty convertible.



Twenty concept cars make their debut during the 10-day event.



Domestic Korean manufacturers dominate the show with current and concept models.



The Korea International Exhibition Center, located in Ilsan, celebrated its grand opening April 29 with the 2005 Seoul Motor Show.



## Korea MWR Region

### Red Cross Classes

The American Red Cross is offering a variety of classes in May. Upcoming classes include first aid and adult, child and infant CPR.

To sign up on Yongsan Garrison, go to the American Red Cross office located upstairs in the Moyer Community Services Center. Payment must be made at the time of signup. For information, call 738-3760.

### Pacificwide Slowpitch Softball Tournament

The Community Recreation Division, DMWR, Area II Support Activity, Yongsan, Korea will host the Pacificwide Men's and Women's Slowpitch Softball Tournament, 27-30 May. This tournament is open to active duty military, DOD, DAC personnel and dependents who are 19 years of age or older and not in high school. An entry fee of \$200 is required payable to MWR, Area II Support Activity no later than 15 May. Registration will be limited to the first 32 men's teams and the first 16 women's teams. Billeting will be provided by the host command at no cost with priority given to out of country teams.

For information, contact the Tournament Director, Bennie L. Jackson at Yongsan at 738-8608 or JacksonBE@korea.army.mil.

### Upcoming Concerts

Rock bands Quiet Riot and Skid Row will perform outdoor concerts Friday at Yongsan Garrison, 7 p.m. Saturday at Camp Casey and 5 p.m. Sunday at Camp Stanley. Concerts on Camp Casey will be behind Primo's Club, and concerts on Camp Stanley will be in the parking lot behind the commissary.

For showtimes or other information, contact Morale, Welfare and Recreation.

Country music acts Mark Wills and Jolie Edwards will perform a concert tour of Korea May 19 through 25. Concert dates are as follows:

May 19 - Arrive ROK  
May 20 - Area III  
May 21 - Area IV  
May 22 - Area II  
May 23 - Day Off  
May 24 - Area I  
May 25 - Area I

### Submitting to TMWC

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ROGER EDWARDS

## Leap of Faith

Leapers like the above Soldier will have many chances to test their courage, as Area III MWR and BOSS will make the trip to "Bigbungee," the 190-foot bungee tower at Cheongpung Land, a monthly event this summer. The next trip is planned for May 21. Each trip will be limited to 40 participants. Cost is \$55 per person and includes a bungee jump and a ride on the giant swing or the ejection seat, round trip transportation and lunch. For information and reservations, call 753-8825.

# Country comes to Korea

## Korea Region MWR

**YONGSAN** – Two performers will be bringing a little "country" to Korea. Mark Wills and Jolie Edwards will be touring installations.

As a teenager in Georgia, Wills grew up listening to pop metal bands & playing in metal garage bands. As he grew into an adult, his taste shifted to country pop and new traditionalist country. At 17 years of age, he entered and won the Buckboard Country Music Showcase. For five years, he played at the club five nights a week. Eventually Wills' work on demo tapes was noticed, earning him a contract with Mercury Nashville.

Wills 1996 self-titled debut album brought him into the national spotlight with mega-hits "Jacob's Ladder" and "Places I've Never Been Before." In 1999, Wills won the American Country Music award for Top New Male Vocalist. In 2003, he recorded and released what became the No. 1 most played song of 2003. Wills has spent time touring with the Sergeant Major of the Army's Hope & Freedom Tours in Afghanistan and Iraq.

Jolie Edwards grew up as a shy girl in Omaha, Nebraska, singing only in her bedroom behind a closed door. Her mother encouraged her break through her shell and share her voice with the world at 10 years old. She began performing in talent shows until she earned a full time gig playing six nights a week as a senior in high school. She met her husband (Marty Edwards) who was a deejay emceeing a show at one of the clubs.

After a two-year hiatus, Edwards began performing again as a one-woman show. Often performing four sets a night gave her experience not only as a singer but also as a comedienne and emcee. Her show expanded to Oklahoma City and opened the doors to a recording deal. Edwards has also performed for the men and women in the military deployed overseas.

## Army goes live with Web registry for child care

By Shadi May

Army News Service

**SANANTONIO** — The U.S. Army Family Child Care program now offers the ArmyFCC.com — a Web-based information and referral tool for parents considering using home-based care.

The FCC program provides military members or qualified civilians a home away from home for their children through military family members or independent contractors in individual housing units located on a military installation, in government-controlled housing off the installation or civilian housing off the installation.

"We hope ArmyFCC.com will allow parents to view the program in a way they haven't been able to do before," said Marilyn Judge, director of Fort Sam Houston FCC. "Getting information out to the perspective parents is very helpful to us, parents and providers."

A virtual tour of an FCC home offers parents, who may be reluctant to visit a series of homes in order to make a selection, pictures and information they need to know to make an important decision.

"It's making our referral process much more efficient," added Judge. "The providers will make their own updates from their home computers."

"It is an opportunity for us to showcase our homes and really introduce ourselves as independent businesses," said Shawn Lowery, an FCC child-care provider at Fort Sam Houston. "The program helps break the babysitter stereotype, moving us to a new category."



WANDA CLEMENTS

Country singer Jolie Edwards, pictured with guitarist Storm Rhodes, will perform in Korea May 19-25.

MWR is dedicated to bringing quality entertainment to the military in Korea. All performances are open to ID cardholders and free of charge. For information on showtimes, contact your local MWR Entertainment Office or 723-3749.



## Area III Soldiers get convoy, urban warfare training

By 2nd Lt. Cindy Huang

Executive Officer, 3rd MI HSC

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** — Repetitive training is like muscle memory; it becomes instinct when the real deal arises. When Soldiers don't grasp the importance of training, the results could be deadly.

Headquarters and Service

again, working on unit cohesion and teamwork."

Classes started immediately after site set up at the Rodriguez Multi-Purpose Range Complex with Soldiers practicing SINGARS (single channel ground and airborne radio system) training and radio calls, first aid, and with military

picked up later in the day, Soldiers weren't discouraged and drove on with training. They also got a chance to watch tank live-fire training during the field training exercise.

Many Soldiers pulled out their digital cameras to capture the light show. "We get tired of watching planes drop bombs," said Oatman.

Nichole Gibson said. "I wish we could have stayed longer because it wasn't so cool when we heard and felt them back in the barracks."

Oatman and Almaraz taught Close Quarters Battle March 24. The day didn't look promising at the start as large snowflakes began to fall as soon as the Soldiers reached the Military Operations in Urban Terrain training site. But once CQB classes started, they became motivated to get out and move around in the snow.

CQB classes covered four topics: team formation; movement from building to building; movement around buildings; and building and room entry.

Soldiers practiced movements and room entry in the MOUT course during the morning. During the afternoon they selected teams and conducted combat exercises against each other in an urban environment.

Most Soldiers agreed that the MOUT training was their favorite part of the field training exercise.

"[We] got to fire off the M16s, which is what we wanted the most," said Pfc. Joshua Baier.

Though the training was short, Soldiers felt it was worthwhile.

"This is stuff I can use," battalion medic Spc. Jared Henderson said. "Convoy exercises are practical to this unit."

Spc. Ryan Walters, an MP with the unit, agreed. "It's good to get away from work and do some real training."

"The Soldiers [learned] training real quick for first timers," Almaraz said. "It's training they need . . . you want to be prepared [in a hostile situation]; you can't have the blind leading the blind."



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Despite the chill, Area III's 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion Soldiers practice convoy battle drills at Warrior Valley, Rodriguez Range, in March.

Company, 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion, and two Air Force noncommissioned officers from Osan stressed the importance of training when they practiced convoy exercises at Rodriguez Range in Camp Casey from March 22-25.

Capt. Shawn Heingarten, HSC commander, invited the 607th Training Readiness Flight (best known as Commando Warriors) to participate because of their experience in convoy operations. Tech. Sgt. Chris W. Oatman and Staff Sgt. Alexandro Almaraz, the Air Force augmentees, served as instructors for HSC and played opposition forces in some scenarios.

Heingarten said he feels it is beneficial to be able to train junior Soldiers for situations they can expect in combat.

"I want to break down convoy training into very specific, fundamental battle drills" he said. "After that I want to practice a one dimensional scenario over and over

police introducing basic convoy battle drills.

Actual convoy drills using blanks and pop-up targets began March 23.

Heingarten explained levels of difficulty to Soldiers, comparing the training to tank tables and told Soldiers they start at level zero and gradually work their way up.

Soldiers selected two soft cover humvees and two hardtop humvees with M249 gun turrets to practice maneuvers when being attacked from one side of the convoy.

Once Soldiers became familiar with the movements and drills, Heingarten allowed the use of smoke grenades to simulate cover.

Even though winds

Back at the barracks, trainees felt the impact of the rounds hitting the ground as the tanks continued their training into the night.

"The tank live fire was cool," Pvt.



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With snow falling, Soldiers of Area III's 3rd Military Intelligence Battalion practice close quarters battle at Rodriguez Range Military Operations in Urban Terrain training site in March.



## NEWS & NOTES

### Asian Pacific Heritage Month

The Area III Equal Opportunity Office will sponsor an Asian Pacific Heritage Month celebration at the Camp Humphreys Multi-Purpose Training Facility May 20, from 12:30 until 1:30 p.m.

Keynote speakers at the event are Cho Mi-ae and Kim Chin-tong, Popeye's Restaurant.

For information, call 753-6527 or 753-3317.

### Multi-Culture Seminar

The Army Community Services sponsors a seminar by U.S. Embassy staff from 1 to 4 p.m. May 18, dealing with overseas marriage, having a child overseas, etc. The event will be at Camp Humphreys Community Activity Center, Bldg. 110.

Preregistration is required and will be accepted until close of business Friday. For information and registration, contact Bill Spearman at 753-8804.

### Installation-wide Post Run

All units, civilian employees, family members and contractors are invited to run in the first Post Run, beginning at 7:30 a.m. May 24. The run is the KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week kick-off event and promises to be fun for all. For information, call Ernie Davis at 753-6735.

### KATUSA-U.S. Soldier Friendship Week

Opening ceremonies held at Freedom Field at 1:30 p.m., May 23 featuring traditional Korean music, dance and performances. Sporting events include basketball, softball, Gima-Jon, Korean Wrestling, 5km Run, Relay of Ranks Race, Tug-of-War and Installation Post Wide Run/walk. Closing ceremonies will be held May 26 at Freedom Field beginning at 1:30 p.m. For information, call Christopher Ruffin at 753-6089.

## KORO Tournament inaugurates Area III Combat Paintball Range

By Roger Edwards

Area III Public Affairs

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** — Soldiers from across Korea converged on Camp Humphreys May 7, to enjoy the inaugural tournament on the new Area III Combat Paintball Range.

"We're having fun," said Sgt. Eric Thon, 8th Military Police Brigade in Yongsan. "That's right," Spc. John Mills, also of the 8th MPs. "This is the only paintball range on a military facility in Korea that we know of — and it's worth the trip down to get some time on it."

Asked why military men and women enjoy "playing Soldier" on their off-duty time, Air Force Staff Sgt. Jeremy Marcotte, a close air support specialist with the 604th Air Support Operations Squadron at Camp Casey, said, "A big part is the adrenaline rush — the action. It's just fun."

"We had eight teams participating in the KORO-sponsored tournament," said Area III Community Activities Center Director Jim Hoglebe. "There were eight teams of five players (actually 39 players as one team member was unable to make the trip) who were the first to play on our new range."

There was one team from Camp Eagle, four teams from Area I, one all-Air Force team from Camp Casey, one team from Yongsan and one from Humphreys. Several of the teams included a mix of Korean Augmentee to the U.S. Army and U.S. Soldiers.

"The tournament was sponsored by Recreation Programs, Korea Regional Office, Yongsan. KORO provided a night of lodging for those who had to travel to get here," said Hoglebe, "as well as entry fees, a cookout and trophies for each member of the top three teams."

The range still needs some work according to Hoglebe, but it's in business. "We have a 36-by-70 meter



PHOTOS BY ROGER EDWARDS

Paintball teammates use combat skills to reinforce and support one another on the range.



Once "hit" a paintball player is down for the round. A teammate still in play may grab the downed players' weapon for an additional supply of paint pellets.



Volunteer paintball referee Sgt. Tim Walley, 52nd Aviation Brigade, was one of the refs on hand to keep score, settle disputes and enforce safety.

playing area," he said, "and 80 sets of paintball gear — guns and masks."

Humphreys paintball range was recently moved from Beacon Hill.

"Since the move, our MWR staff and volunteers have done a great job in cleaning up the site and making it a playable location," said Hoglebe. "We've put up netting to protect spectators and have cut and removed brush, shrubbery and small trees. We expect to install additional improvements over the next few months."

The facility is open for business. "We'll be operating Thursdays for Sergeant's Time," Hoglebe said, "and on Saturdays for Fun and Games."

"There are restrictions though," he continued. "CAC representatives must be available before we'll open the field, anyone wanting use of the field has to make reservations two weeks ahead of time, and there is a \$100 deposit that will be credited toward paint on the reservation date. For information and reservations, call 753-8825 or 753-8828."

## Area III round up



Military spouses Amy Johnston and Kathleen Zumer attend the Military Spouse Appreciation Day luncheon.

### Military Spouse Appreciation Day

Army Community Service sponsored a Military Spouse Appreciation Day luncheon at Tommy D's May 6. One-hundred Area III military spouses were treated to lunch, with each receiving a certificate of appreciation and other gifts.

### Day of Remembrance

Thomas Toivi Blatt who, as a teenager during World War II, survived the Nazi death camp Sobibor in his native Poland, was guest speaker at Camp Humphreys "Day of Remembrance for Victims of the Holocaust" May 6.



Thomas Toivi Blatt

Blatt related his experiences to about 75 men and women who attended, including his capture, escape, betrayal and participation in a prison revolt.



### Bike Safety Rodeo

A member of the Area III Safety Office inspects a bicycle for Hailey Rowell during the April 23 Safety Rodeo at the Camp Humphreys Youth Center. While the inspection is conducted, Command Sgt. Maj. Robert Frace talks with Hailey. Dianne Rowell watches from the background.

Bike Safety Rodeos are one of the programs conducted by the safety office.

### Triathlon



Capt. Marc Dalziel (above), 52nd Aviation Brigade, won the Area III Mini Triathlon April 23, with an overall time of 54 minutes, 50 seconds. The event required participants to swim 250 meters, bike 20 kilometers and run 5 kilometers.

Capt. Jason Piechowiak, U.S. Army Garrison, Camp Casey, came in second with an overall time of 55:36; and 2nd Lt. Francesca Campos, Alpha Company 527th Military Intelligence was 3rd at 61:54.





Firefighters discuss how to attack a fuel fire during training at Camp Humphreys April 21.



PHOTOS BY STEVE DAVIS

Korean firefighters extinguish a blaze at the Camp Humphreys burn pit.

## Korean firefighters train at Camp Humphreys

### Area III Public Affairs

**CAMP HUMPHREYS** — Korean firefighters from Pyeongtaek, Asan City, Cheonan City and the Republic of Korea Air Force teamed up with Area III April 21 to learn how to extinguish fuel fires.

“Local firefighters want to know how to respond in case of a helicopter or airplane crash,” said Area III Assistant Fire Chief Song Kye-pok, who helped direct the training.

Camp Humphreys has the only environmentally approved burn pit in the area. During optimal conditions, the pit

can be flooded with enough JP-8 aviation fuel to produce a huge fire.

Because of windy conditions, however, only enough fuel was used for two small training fires The

session was curtailed when the wind picked up even more.

“This was the first joint training we have done since winter,” said Area III Fire Chief Tony Marra. “Despite the conditions, it gave us a chance to get together again.”

Marra said other joint firefighter training will be scheduled later this year.



Area III Assistant Fire Chief Song Kye-pok gives instructions.

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## Daegu enclave recognizes its 'Good Neighbors'

By Kevin Jackson

Area IV Public Affairs

**CAMP WALKER** – Several notable neighbors and a non-governmental organization were honored by the U.S. Army during its 3rd Annual Good Neighbors Awards Reception at the Evergreen Community Club here May 6.

Area IV Support Activity Good Neighbor Awards were presented to Lorne Hwang, Kyungpook National University, nominated by the Area IV Support Activity; Dr. Kang Duk-sik, KNU, nominated by the 168th Medical Battalion; and Seong Bang-jin, Biseul Elementary School, nominated by the 665th Movement Control Team. The Korean and American Partnership Association and Shin Sang-il, president of the Association of the U.S. Army District IV Corporate Chapter, received 19th Theater Support Command Good Neighbor Awards.

"Your steadfast commitment and dedication to the betterment of humanity, and your tireless support are truly noble endeavors," said Brig. Gen. Timothy P. McHale, commanding general of the 19th Theater Support Command. "Thank you for all that you have done in building these everlasting friendships – you are truly good neighbors to the U.S. military community in Daegu."

Hwang is the international student advisor at KNU. She was recognized for initiating a volunteer program with the Daegu military community in February 2003, which has enabled more than 150 KNU seniors to work for organizations on installations in Daegu. The United Kingdom native also initiated an intern program in March 2005, which is currently providing three students with an opportunity to receive overseas internship credits toward graduation.

Kang is a professor of radiology for the KNU School of Medicine and the chairman of its Department



GALEN PUTNAM

*Lee Yoon-suk, president of the Korean American Partnership Association, reacts after accepting a Good Neighbor Award on behalf of the organization.*

of Diagnostic Radiology. He was acknowledged for formalizing a working relationship with the Wood Medical Clinic at Camp Walker that led to rotations for medical students at the clinic as part of the university's formal curriculum.

Seong is the fourth grade teacher at Biseul Elementary School, which is the smallest school in Daegu. The school was adopted by the 665th MCT in September 2003 for the purpose of teaching English. Seong was credited for the program's success and for providing the unit's Soldiers opportunities to experience Korean culture outside the classroom.

Each of the recipients was presented a "Good Neighbor Award," which depicts the Don Stivers print, "We Go Together" from the Korean War, specially framed with a commander's coin for excellence.

McHale made Good Neighbor Award presentations to KAPA and Shin, the latter having just received a U.S. Forces Korea Good Neighbor Award during a ceremony at Yongsan Garrison May 4.

The KAPA was established to promote friendship and enhance cross-cultural understanding. It was praised for sponsoring tours to Gyeongju and opera performances, and weekly Korean language and cooking classes for Americans. The KAPA also sponsored the 19th TSC Friendship Circle, which paired Korean college students and citizens with Americans for the purpose of cross-cultural exchange. KAPA President Lee Yoon-suk accepted the award.

Shin has been a passionate supporter of the U.S. Army for nearly 40 years. He has been active in AUSA since its creation in Daegu more than three decades ago and has been its president since May 2001. AUSA has provided \$160,000 for Soldiers' college tuition assistance and books in the past three years. It also sponsored numerous Christmas parties, cultural tours, concerts, post-exercise parties, the Korean Home Visitation Program, and other well-being programs.

"This great honor inspires me to continue to work harder to strengthen our Korean and American alliance. I would like to attribute this recognition to each of the 350 corporate members of AUSA in Area IV," Shin said during brief acceptance remarks.

Following the presentations, Maj. Gen. Kim Sang-ki, 50th Homeland Reserve Division commanding general, and McHale offered toasts to the awardees and everyone whose goodwill has contributed to a strong ROK-U.S. alliance.

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## Armed Forces Day, cancer awareness events slated

### Country artist Mark Wills headlines entertainment

By Kevin Jackson

Area IV Public Affairs

**CAMP WALKER** – The Area IV Support Activity will host its 4th Annual Armed Forces Day Celebration for the public in conjunction with the 168th Medical Battalion's Cancer Awareness Running Event at the Walker Army Heliport (H-805) here from 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., May 22. A concert featuring rising country artists Mark Wills and Jolie Edwards will follow from 4 – 6 p.m.

The Armed Forces Day Celebration features numerous static displays of United States and Republic of Korea Army aircraft, tactical vehicles and equipment, a variety of entertainment, children's games, and food.

The day's festivities begin with the start of the Cancer Awareness Running Event 10K, 5K and 2K run or walk for families beginning at 9:30 a.m. at the heliport. Opening ceremonies for the



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*A Soldier from 201st Special Forces Brigade, 2nd Republic of Korea Army, crushes several tiles with his head during a martial arts demonstration conducted by his unit at the 2004 Armed Forces Day Celebration held at the Camp Walker Airfield (H-805). The event drew more than 1,000 visitors.*

Armed Forces Day Celebration begin at 10 a.m. with the playing of the Korean and American national anthems by the Republic of Korea's 50th Homeland Reserve Division Band, followed by opening remarks by Col. Donald J. Hendrix, the Area IV Support Activity commander. Other opening activities include a performance by the 50th HRD

Band and precision drill and ceremonies performed by the Second ROK Army Honor Guard. A martial arts demonstration will be conducted by the ROK Army's 201st Special Commando Brigade at 1 p.m.

The American Forces Network-Korea Daegu affiliate will host a mock American Idol competition patterned

after the popular reality television program beginning at 2 p.m. Six winners from Area IV will advance to the semi-finals at Yongsan Garrison May 28-29 where they will compete for the top prize of a roundtrip ticket to anywhere in the United States.

Other entertainment planned for the day includes performances by the Filipino band, Four String, at noon, and 3 p.m. and the concert featuring Wills and Edwards from 4 - 6 p.m.

Static displays open to the public following the opening ceremony and close at 3 p.m. Visitors can get an up-close look at the M109A6 Paladin self-propelled howitzer, M992 field artillery ammunition service vehicle, M1A1 Abrams Main Battle Tank, M2A2 Bradley Fighting Vehicle, M998 High Mobility Multi-purpose Wheeled Vehicle and the transportable satellite broadcast manager.

Among the rotary wing aircraft on display will be the U.S. Army's Boeing CH-47D Chinook, Sikorsky UH-60A

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### Community Yard Sales

Daegu community yard sales will be held 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. Saturday at Camp Walker and 8 a.m. – 2 p.m. May 21 at Camp George. For information, call Bonnie McCarthy at 010-8671-7606 for Camp Walker, and Nicole Nelson at 010-8671-6528 for Camp George.

### Parent's Day Prayer Breakfast

The 20th Area Support Group Multicultural Gospel Service is hosting a Parent's Day prayer breakfast 7 a.m. Tuesday at the Evergreen Community Club on Camp Walker. The guest speaker will be Chaplain (Col.) Richard Garrison. For information, call Chaplain (Maj.) Kenneth Harris at 768-8776.

### Transportation Coordinator Training

The Area IV Support Activity Transportation Motor Pool will be conducting transportation coordinator training at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Wednesday at the Camp Henry Theater for all units requesting mission vehicle support. The training is mandatory for all primary and alternate transportation coordinators assigned to the Daegu area. For information, call Sgt. 1st Class Calvin Russell at 768-6721.

### Job Fair

The Army Career and Alumni Program and the Army Community Service Employment Readiness Program are hosting a job fair noon – 3 p.m. Thursday at the Evergreen Community Club on Camp Walker. The job fair is open to transitioning military personnel, family members and civilians with access to post. Participants should dress appropriately for job interviews and bring copies of their resumes. To register, visit [www.morejobs.net](http://www.morejobs.net). For information, call ACAP at 768-7571, or, ACS ERP at 768-7951.

### College Fair

The Senior Girl Scouts are hosting a college fair 9 – 11 a.m. and 1 – 3 p.m. May 26 at the Taegu American School gym. For information, call Brittany Weigle at 764-4085.

### Food Handler Certification Class

The 154th Medical Detachment is offering a food handler certification class June 20. Registration deadline is June 7. All Soldiers and patrons handling or serving food at public events are required have the food handler certification. To sign up or for information, call Staff Sgt. Victoria Cobaris at 764-4618.

### Sure Start

The Taegu American School Sure Start program is accepting applications for fall 2005. Children must be four years of age or older by Oct. 31. Applicants must be military command sponsored and have ranks between E-1 and E-4. Class size is limited. For information, call the school at 768-9501.

# Program gives 'newbies' a head start

By Pfc. Park Myung-joon

19th Theater Support Command Public Affairs

It's natural for newcomers to Korea to feel anxious about venturing outside their installations. For many, the differences in language, culture and customs in Korea can be intimidating.

In Area IV, the new Head Start Program was implemented to help Soldiers and their family members make the transition to life in Korea.

Head Start, modeled on a program in Germany, is a Korean language and culture class for incoming Soldiers and their spouses who are going to live in Daegu. Basic Korean language, culture and customs are taught during the training, said Lt. Col. Bryan Groves, assistant chief of staff, Civil Military Operations Office of the 19th Theater Support Command.

"Most of the Soldiers who go to the Balkans, Afghanistan and Iraq spend most of their time 'behind the wire' and rarely see civilian life. However, in Korea, a large percentage of Soldiers and their families are required to live outside of their camps. So they actually need this type of training more than those who went to Iraq, Afghanistan or somewhere like that," said Groves.

The Head Start Program was previously established in Korea, but it has never been maintained consistently, he said.

"The newcomers brief is a mandatory thing for Soldiers. It's four hours long. It covers mostly U.S. Army requirements for Soldiers and civilians in Korea. But there's very little about Korean culture, and it's not enough time to teach and practice greetings, key phrases and cultural do and don'ts," Groves said.

The Head Start Program lasts two-and-a-half days. There are nine hours of instruction on key phrases, greetings



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Jeong Jae-young, Keimyung University professor, teaches Korean language to participants by using the pictures and names of famous people.

and key questions. After the language instruction, there is a block of instruction about Korean culture.

The last part of Head Start is a four-hour tour of Daegu, Groves said.

Keimyung University in Daegu provided three instructors for this program, which provided learning experiences for both sides.

"Before I started to teach Korean to the U.S. Soldiers, frankly speaking, I had some prejudices against American Soldiers. However, I learned that Soldiers are eager to understand the Korean language and culture. I'm personally proud of teaching them," said Jeong Jae-young, Keimyung University professor.

"The program was very informative to me, because the instructors taught us basic Korean key words and cultural differences. It also helped me understand how Koreans think about us," said Spc. Dustin Schuster, Training and Operations Office, 19th TSC.

During the Daegu tour, participants

went to Yangnyeongsi — one of the most famous Korean herbal medicine markets. They also went to a Korean traditional market place, Seomun Market, and had an hour to shop. After shopping, they had lunch together and talked about the tour.

"I could feel how well [the Korean people] wanted to treat me during the Daegu tour. This helped me feel more comfortable looking around local areas," said Pvt. Joseph C. Schablik, enlisted strength clerk, Adjutant General Office, 19th TSC.

For Soldiers and family members who want to learn more about Korea, the next Head Start classes are scheduled for July 20 – 22. For more information, contact Groves at 768-8596.

"This training makes Soldiers feel more at ease about participating in partnership activities with Republic of Korea Army units and Korean National employees. This will make them better neighbors to Koreans," Groves said.

## Friendship Tournament

Jeremy Shields (#13), Daegu United Soccer Club, challenges a player from the Daegu Nambu Police Station during the Inaugural Area IV Support Activity/Daegu University Friendship Soccer Tournament Saturday at the Taegu American School field on Camp George. United went on to win the game 2-1. The Osan Air Base "Black" squad won the round-robin tournament. Also participating were the Osan Air Base "White" squad, Kunsan Air Base and Daegu University. The event was co-hosted by United and Daegu University. United is comprised of Soldiers, civilians and family members from Daegu and Camp Carroll.



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Black Hawk, Boeing AH-64D Longbow Apache, and the ROK Army's Bell AH-1 Cobra, Bell UH-1 Huey and Hughes MD500 Defender. Each display includes English and Hangul language information boards with a subject matter expert to answer questions and a KATUSA Soldier to translate for visitors.

Other displays include a military vehicle rigged by the 4th Quartermaster Detachment for airborne operations and a mock door for visitors to experience the thrill of jumping out of an aircraft. The unit provides rigging and airdrop support to U.S. and ROK forces throughout the peninsula. For the second consecutive year, the 168th Medical Battalion will showcase its chemical and biological protective shelter, which uses an advanced filter and air pressure system to create a safe environment for patient care in a contaminated area.

Back again by popular demand is the military police working dog demonstration that has drawn enthusiastic crowds at previous events. The demonstration will be held at 11:30 a.m. In addition, Soldiers from the 728th Military Police Battalion's Special Reaction Team will offer a rare public demonstration at 1:30 p.m. The SRT will also have its equipment and weapons on display throughout the day.

A variety of activities will also be available to keep children entertained. The Better Opportunities for Single and unaccompanied Soldiers organization is sponsoring the Red Dragon and tunnels inflatables. Visitors can also take free rides around the heliport on the children's Happy Valley train provided by the U.S. Army Materiel Support Center-Korea. McGruff the Crime Dog will also be on hand throughout the day to entertain the children. Visitors should also look for their favorite senior leaders at the dunk tank.

Awards for the 168th Medical Battalion's CARE will be presented at 11 a.m. The battalion will also have a cancer display and literature available, as well as American and Korean physicians and community nurses who will discuss cancer treatments and preventative medicine throughout the day.



*A Korean visitor checks out the equipment on display at the 2004 Armed Forces Day Celebration.*

The Area IV Directorate of Public Works Environmental Division and its Nam-gu District counterpart will also team up to provide visitors with recycling tips for proper on- and off-post household waste disposal.

Backpacks, book bags and containers will not be permitted inside the Walker Army Heliport for security reasons, nor is parking available inside the heliport. People with installation access may enter via Gate 9 near the Camp

Cancer awareness presentations slated

Area IV Public Affairs Office

**CAMP HENRY** – Cancer-related presentations are being offered Wednesday thru May 20 in conjunction with the 168th Medical Battalion's annual Cancer Awareness Running Event May 21.

The following presentations are open to the public and will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

❑ May 18 at the Evergreen Community Club, Camp Walker: Breast Cancer by Dr. Kim Hye-jung, Kyungpook National University School of Medicine, and Skin Cancer by Capt. Timothy Goodrich coordinated by the 19th Theater Support Command.

❑ May 19 at Henry's Place, Camp Henry: Lung Cancer by Dr. Kang Duk-sik, KNU School of Medicine, and Testicular and Prostate Cancer by Capt. Aaron Holley coordinated by the Area IV Support Activity.

❑ May 20 at the Evergreen Community Club, Camp Walker: Stomach, Colon and Liver Cancers by Dr. Ryeon Kun-kyu, KNU and Breast Cancer by Capt. Jason Park coordinated by the 36th Signal Battalion, Civilian Personnel Advisory Center and Civilian Personnel Operations Center.

For information about the lectures, contact the 168th Medical Battalion at 764-4982/4731.

Walker Fire Department. All others should enter through Gate 7 at the base of the control tower, located off the street behind the Daegu Garden Hotel.

Contact the U.S. Army's Area IV Support Activity at 768-4345/6907 for information about the Armed Forces Day Celebration of the 168th Medical Bn., or 768-4982 for the CARE. Registration forms can be obtained via email from [Sergio.mendoza@kor.amedd.army.mil](mailto:Sergio.mendoza@kor.amedd.army.mil) or fax 764-5240.

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“While these awards are presented this year, in many instances the honorees have been long-time and even lifetime supporters of not only the U.S. Army in Daegu, but also the Republic of Korea and United States alliance,” said Col. Donald J. Hendrix, Area IV Support Activity commander and event host in his closing remarks. “Our alliance is what it is today in no small part because of their goodwill and generosity.

“In closing, I want you to know that we are blessed to live in Daegu – a community that we proudly proclaim the best place to live, work and play in the Republic of Korea,” he said. “Just like those of you honored here tonight and many others, we endeavor to do our part as good neighbors in this community and to make a positive contribution to the ROK-U.S. alliance.”

The Area IV Support Activity hosted the Good Neighbor Awards Reception to honor and recognize Korean citizens and organizations for their outstanding contributions to promote friendships that strengthen the alliance between the Republic of Korea and the United States.

Camp Hialeah and Camp Carroll good neighbors will be honored May 13 and May 20, respectively.



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Col. Donald J. Hendrix, Area IV Support Activity commander, presents commander's coins to members of the Keimyung University String Quartet following the 3rd Annual Daegu Good Neighbor Reception at the Evergreen Community Club May 6.

## Area IV to celebrate Army's 230th birthday with day of activities, formal ball

19th Theater Support Command Public Affairs

This year's Area IV Army Birthday Celebration will begin at 7 a.m., June 14, on Kelly Field at Camp Walker.

The all-day event will feature sporting events and games, such as softball, tug-of-war, 5K run, horseshoes and checkers, culminating in a presentation of awards and the Commander's Cup.

Other events include a streamer ceremony, barbecue, Republic of Korea Army Honor Guard

performance, martial arts demonstration and more.

All Area IV personnel are encouraged to attend.

The U.S. Army Birthday Ball-South will be at 6 p.m., June 18 at the GS Plaza Hotel in Daegu.

This time-honored tradition will give Soldiers, family members and civilian employees a chance to formally honor the U.S. Army for defending freedom and democracy for more than two centuries.

Tickets are now on sale for \$35, or \$30 for a vegetarian

meal. Uniform is Mess/Dress Blues or Class A's with white shirt and bow tie for Soldiers and black tie/formal evening wear for family members and civilians.

For information, contact your unit representative or call Sgt. Maj. Shirley Kerlegan at 768-7423 or Sgt. Maj. Carey Grant at 768-8363.

More details about the Army Birthday Celebration and Ball are available at <http://19tsc.korea.army.mil> under "Hot Topics."

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## 위안부 할머니들에 대하여-(2)

일병 서기철

**\*\*시대적 배경**

특히 세계대공황으로 식민지 조선은 대타격을 받았고 이후의 전시체제 아래서의 식민지 조선 여성들의 처지는 더욱 악화되었다.

즉, 일제는 만주사변과 중일전쟁 등을 비롯한 침략전쟁을 일으켜 광범한 전선을 만들어갔다. 전쟁이 확대되고 장기전으로 들어가자, 일제는 통제되지 않은 강간에 의한 성병확산을 막고 군 감독 통제하에 군인과 '군위안부'를 묶으로써 군의 사기 진작 등 효과적인 군사활동을 꾀하려는데 중요한 목적을 두고 군'위안부' 제도를 만들었다.

이렇게 성립한 일본군위안소 내의 합법적인 강간 행위는 강제로 위안부가 된 수많은 여성들에 대한 엄연한 성폭력으로 여성을 비인간화하고 그 행위를 하는 군인들도 비인간화하였다. 결국 일본군인의 민간인 여성들에 대한 강간 근절은 결코 가능할 수 없었다.

**\*\*위안소**

민간 주도의 군위안소는 이미 청일전쟁부터 있었지만 일본군이 주도하여 처음 군위안소를 만든 시기는 1932년으로 추정한다. 일본 해군이 1931년 말 상해에 있던 대좌부(貸座敷)를 기초로 1932년경 해군위안소를 만든 후 이를 본받아 오카무라가 육군과 견군에도 위안소를 창설하였다.

그러나 일본 육군성이 본격적으로 체계적으로 군위안소 설치한 것은 1937년 말부터이다. 중지나방면군, 육군성 병무국, 의무국 등에서는 위안소를 설치하는 목적이나 군위안소의 경영 감독과 군위안부 동원 및 모집인원에 대한 원칙을 가지고 있었다. 그리고 점령지뿐 아니라 격전지마다 군위안소를 설치하려는 계획도 미리부터 세우고 있었다. 한마디로 군위안소는 위안부로 끌려간 여성들이 기거하며 인권을 유린당한 공간이다.

위안소는 일본군 문서상 '군위안소', '군인클럽', '군인오락소', 혹은 '위생적인 공중변소' 등으로 불렸다. 위안소의 크기나 형태는 일본군이 어느 시기, 어느 지역, 그리고 점령지이나, 격전지이나 등에 따라 달랐다. 군부대가 주둔지에 신축하기도 하고, 원주민 가옥을 고쳐 이용하기도 했다. 부대가 이동하거나 전쟁중일 때는 군인 막사나 초소, 참호, 군용트럭 등을 사용하기도 했다.

또한 위안소에는 위안부가 한 명이나 서너 명만이 있기도 했고, 많게는 수십 명이 같이 생활하기도 했다. 군이 신축한 위안소의 경우에는 간이용, 임시용으로 널판지로 칸을 막아 방이 좁고 허술하기 짝이 없었으며, 방문은 담요로만 둘러쳐 있기도 했다. 파라오 등 더운 지방에서는 야자수 잎으로 대충 위안소를 만들기도 하였다.

위안소에는 일본군'위안부'와 관리자와, 그곳을 출입하는 군인

이 있었다. 불박이 위안소의 문밖에는 ○○위안소라는 문패가 있기도 했다. 2층도 있었는데, 아래쪽에는 홀이 있었고, 위층에 칸칸이 방이 들어 있어 홀에서 대기하던 여성이 군인을 만나 2층으로 올라가는 경우도 있었다. 방 문 밖에는 방 번호나 위안부의 일본식 이름이 쓰여있기도 했다.

위안소 안에는 군인의 군포나 돈을 받는 접수처가 있었으며, 이곳에서 삿쿠와 막후지가 돈과 교환되기도 하였다. 또한 위안소 규정과, 위안부가 군인을 얼마나 받았는지를 표시할 수 있는 그래프가 벽면에 붙어있는 곳도 있었다. 또 민간관리자들은 군인의 눈길을 끌기 위해 일본말로 '身も心も棒ぐ大和撫子のサーウス(몸도 마음도 바치는 일본 패랭이꽃의 서비스란 뜻)'이라거나 '聖戰大勝の勇士大歓迎(성전대승의 용사 대환영)' 등의 선전문구를 써 붙이기도 했다.

또 질 세척용 소독약(붉은 색)과 대야 등이 있는 별도의 세면장이 있는 곳도 있었고, 방에 단지 대야 정도가 있는 곳도 있었다. 그러나 군막사, 참호 등에는 아무런 물품 없이 오직 위안부와 군인만이 존재하기도 했다.

위안소는 크게 일본군의 군위안소 운영방식이나 이동 여부에 따라 그 형태를 나눌 수도 있다. 예를 들어 군직영, 군지정 위안소 등으로 구분하는데, 군위안소 운영에 가장 깊숙이 개입한 것이 군직영 위안소이다. 군이 감독 통제한 것만이 아니라 운영과 관리를 직접한 것이다. 여기에는 군속이나 군고용인이 운영하는 것도 포함된다. 중일전쟁 초기나 전선지역에 많이 설치되었다.

군지정위안소는 군이 설립한 위안소나 민간 매춘시설을 지정하여 경영은 민간에게 맡기고 군은 감독과 통제만 하는 것이다. 동남아시아에선 곳에 따라 현지 일본인에 의해 조직된 사업통제회, 기업연합, 실업단을 내세워 이 시설의 책임자로 삼았다. 어떠한 군위안소라도 이를 관리 감독, 통제한 것은 일본군이였다.

또 일본 육군과 해군은 각각 위안소를 둔 경우가 많았는데 위안소 운영에서도 차이가 있었다. 육군은 대도시를 제외하고는 대부분 군위안소 사용을 시간대로만 구분할 뿐 장교와 사병간의 구분이 없었다. 이에 비해 해군은 되도록 신분과 계급에 따라 장교, 사병, 군속, 인부, 관리 등으로 구분하려는 경향을 보인다.

또 군위안소를 이동하는지 여부에 따라 불박이식. 이동식으로 구분할 수 있다. 불박이식 위안소는 일본이나 식민지, 그리고 일본군이 오래 주둔한 점령도시 등 전투가 거의 일어나지 않는 곳에 설치되었다.

이동식은 중국 오지의 전쟁터와 같이 경계가 불안정한 지역에 주로 설치되었다. 이동식 위안소의 위안부는 주거공간이나 식사 등 생활상태가 더 열악하였을 뿐 아니라 생명의 위협까지 받기도 하였다.

부대와 같이 이동한 위안부들의 민족별 구성은 주로 조선인, 일본인이 많았다. 그리고 민족별로 위안부에 대한 대우가 다른 경우가 많았다.

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## Learn Korean Easily



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"Mwoe tah-go gahl-ggah-yo?"

"What transportation should we take?"

Single Consonants											
ㄱ	ㄴ	ㄷ	ㄹ	ㅁ	ㅂ	ㅅ	ㅇ	ㅈ	ㅊ	ㅋ	ㅌ
g	n	d	r, l	m	b	sh, s	ng	j	ch	k	t
Double Consonants											
ㄲ		ㄸ			ㅃ			ㅆ			ㅊ
gg		dd			bb			ss			jj
Single Vowels											
ㅏ	ㅑ	ㅓ	ㅕ	ㅗ	ㅛ	ㅜ	ㅠ	ㅡ	ㅣ		
ah	yah	oe	yoh	oh	yo	oo	you	ue	ee		
Double Vowels											
ㅘ	ㅙ	ㅚ	ㅜ	ㅝ	ㅞ	ㅟ	ㅠ	ㅡ	ㅣ		
eh		yeh		weh	wah	wuh	wee		ui		

### Word of the week

지하철

ㅈ;j , ㅣ;ee / ㅈ;h, ㅈ;ah /  
ㅈ;ch , ㅈ;oe , ㅈ;l  
'jee-hah-choel'

subway

### The phrase of the week

"Let's take the subway."

지하철 탑시다.

Jee-hah-choel tahp-see-dah.

the subway

Let's take

### Conversation of the week

(덕수궁)에 가보셨어요?  
(Doek-soo-goong)-eh  
gah-bo-syoe-soe-yo?

Have you ever been to  
(Duksu Palace)?

아니오.  
Ah-nee-oh.

No, I haven't.

같이 가실까요?  
Gah-chee  
gah-sheel-ggah-yo?

Would you like to go there  
with me?

좋습니다.  
Jo-suem-nee-dah.

That would be fine.

그럼, 시청역에서 내립니다.  
Gue-roem,  
shee-choeng-yoek-eh-soe  
neh-reep-see-dah.

Then, let's take off at City  
Hall Station.

알겠습니다.  
Ahl-geh-suem-nee-dah.

All right.

(경복궁)(gyoung-bohk-goong) (Kyoungbok Palace)

(창덕궁)(chahng-doek-goong) (Chang-duk Palace)

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